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GERMANS PLUNGE 18 MILES INTO BELGIUM

742 Japanese Planes Smashed during the Last Week

Americans Meet No Resistance On Mindoro Isle

MacArthur Plans To Bomb Manila

By DEAN SCHEDLER

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES, Tuesday, Dec. 19 (AP)—Destruction or serious damaging of 742 Japanese war planes during the past week was disclosed by Gen. Douglas MacArthur today as American invasion troops met no resistance on Mindoro island.

The Japanese planes were bagged by land-based American aircraft and planes operating from Adm. William F. Halsey's third fleet.

Prepare Landing Fields

The chief American purpose in seizing Mindoro island is the construction of airdromes from which further to harry the Japanese. Manila is only a half hour's flight from Mindoro. American and Australian construction men were busy putting airstrips into shape.

The communique said the Yankee landing on Mindoro had "caught him (the enemy) completely off balance," and except for a few nuisance air attacks, the Americans were making their scheduled progress.

Invasion of Mindoro has been the easiest major job of the Pacific war. Associated Press correspondent Elmont Waite, writing from Mindoro, said "the Japanese have offered not the slightest resistance as yet, aside from harassing air attacks by a few planes."

Invasion Speeding Up

He said the invasion has been moving "swifter than had been hoped." The Japanese at the city of San Jose fled in such haste they left their breakfast bowls of rice and clams still warm.

In the drive against the enemy on Leyte island, the Seventy-seventh division reached an airdrome west of Valencia Sunday, and continued its push northward.

MacArthur revealed 905 Japanese were counted dead on Leyte in one day. A spokesman said the majority of the casualties were inflicted by the Seventh American division, which was liquidating remnants of the trapped Nipponese Twenty-sixth division.

American losses continue light, Gen. MacArthur reported.

"The greatest possible care is being exercised to minimize our losses," he said. "Frontal assault methods are being avoided as far as possible and the artifice of maneuver and superior firepower is being exerted to prevent battle casualties. As a result they continue light."

San Jose Enveloped

The fast developing incursion of Mindoro island, just south of Luzon, already had enveloped the coastal plain area around San Jose, where the Americans landed virtually without resistance last Friday.

Commanding ground six miles beyond San Jose had been seized, said Monday's communique, and construction of airdrome sites was being pushed. The Yank defense arc around the beachhead extended inland eleven miles at its greatest depth. That would place forward positions in the southwestern foothills of the lofty mountain range running the length of Mindoro.

Jap Resistance Light

The enemy still had not recoiled from the surprise landing on Mindoro and a headquarters spokesman said Monday that resistance continued scant. The success of American carrier planes in destroying and pinning down the Nipponese airforce on Luzon again was brought out by headquarters, which said enemy air activity was "negligible."

On Leyte, the Seventy-seventh division made a wide left end run to the west of the Ormoc corridor highway, advancing seven miles north to outflank the Yamashita line. From positions two miles below Valencia, it battled for that headquarters of Gen. Sosaki Suzuki, top-ranking Japanese commander on the island.

Vote for FDR

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 18 (AP)—By a roll call vote, Maryland's eight Democratic presidential electors cast the state's ballot today for Franklin D. Roosevelt as president and Harry Truman as vice president of the United States.

Now It's Official:

Roosevelt Is Elected for Fourth Term, Electoral College Finds

[By The Associated Press]

The electoral college went through the quadrennial motions yesterday (Monday) and made it official—President Roosevelt is elected again.

The electors, in line with the verdict of the voters Nov. 7, cast the 531 ballots that formally elect a president and vice president: 432 for Mr. Roosevelt and ninety-nine for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York.

The president's popular plurality of 3,593,714 over the governor theoretically hadn't anything directly to do with it—those votes merely named the electors. As far as the law goes, the electors can do as they please. One got away with it in 1796. Several threatened to vote for another man this year, but none actually did.

Rhode Island was the last state to disclose its official vote, adding 1,328 to the presidential total as that state's electors cast their ballots, that made a presidential total of 47,971,156 divided as follows:

Roosevelt 25,611,871
Dewey 22,018,147
Other candidates 341,138

Russians Smash Two Miles Inside Czechoslovakia

By W. W. HERCHER

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Russian troops smashed two miles inside Southern Czechoslovakia on an eight-mile front today, crossing the Kecske mountains of Northern Hungary and driving to within eleven and one-half miles of the East Slovakian stronghold of Kassa, a Moscow communique announced.

Kassa was outflanked on the south and southwest as the Russians reached the Slovak frontier on a sixty-eight mile front, the bulletin disclosed. Berlin said that other Soviet troops were advancing on Kassa from positions within fifteen miles to the east.

Gain Five Miles

Gaining up to five miles from their previous positions and threatening soon to smash the entire German salient in Eastern Slovakia, between Hungary and Poland, the Russians crossed the frontier in the Horvaty-Janok-Reste area.

They reached the Slovak frontier on a broad front whose western wing was at Susa, 70 miles northeast of Budapest and 26 miles northwest of Miskolc. The eastern wing was at the frontier in the Abaujvar-Alsokeked area.

The Russians now had broken into the broad Bodva and Hernad river valleys below Kassa and were driving swiftly ahead in an effort to straighten the entire line between Soviet holdings in Southern Poland and two-thirds-encircled Budapest.

The Hungarian capital itself resounded with the crash of exploding Soviet shells as Red army infantrymen fought within five and one-half miles northeast of Budapest, but the communique did not announce any fresh gains in the siege arc around the city.

Reds Reported in Pest

French radio stations broadcast reports that Soviet troops had broken into Pest, the part of the capital on the east bank of the Danube, and then crossed the river into Buda on the west bank as whole Hungarian units surrendered. But these reports were not borne out by either Moscow or Berlin.

Berlin, however, told of heavy fighting on the distant flanks of Budapest, both beyond Ipoly-Sag, where the Russians were within eighty-five miles of Bratislava, Slovak capital, and at the lower end of Lake Balaton, where Marshall Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukraine army units were only forty-four miles from the Austrian frontier.

Americans Sink 33 More Jap Ships

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Score thirty-three more Japanese ships for the American undersea raiders.

A navy communique today reported the new successes of its submarines which are hunting in the Far Pacific. The announcement boosts the total of enemy ships sunk by United States submarines to 907, of which ninety-four were fighting ships.

In this latest tally (the last announcement was on December 4) are twelve combatant ships—a light cruiser, three destroyers, six escort vessels, a mine-sweeper and a mine-layer.

Hoarding of Gas Ties Up Cars In Washington

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP) — The instinct to hoard when a shortage is rumored was blamed tonight for a scarcity of gasoline which has left hundreds of Washington automobiles stranded.

Senator Maloney (D-Conn) told the Senate that "somebody talked out of turn" and spread word that gas was tight. Motorists rushed to fill their tanks.

No real shortage

Official sources said there was no real shortage so long as motorists were content to purchase their day-to-day needs.

Transportation facilities, they said, were able to cope with the normal demand, but any abnormal demand immediately reflected itself in dry pumps at filling stations.

Meanwhile a survey was being made by District of Columbia authorities to ascertain whether it would be necessary to designate special emergency filling stations to supply doctors with gasoline.

A new gasoline allocation period for the district begins on Wednesday.

Ralph K. Davies, deputy petroleum administrator, said the oil and gasoline promleb now is "basically a transportation problem."

Lack Transportation

"We have the oil but not the transportation capacity that we need to move it to the points where it is required," he declared in a letter read to the Senate by Senator Maloney.

"While the adjustment over the coming winter is going to be difficult, I am confident that by careful planning and the ready co-operation of all concerned we will be able to continue to supply in full the military demand and all of the essential civilian requirements."

Japanese Paper Balloon Found By Woodchopper

KALISPELL, Mont., Dec. 18—(AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced tonight that a paper balloon thirty-three and one-half feet in diameter, bearing Japanese characters had been found in a mountain region near here.

An official statement said the balloon had attached to its side an incendiary device, apparently intended for destruction of the balloon.

An FBI spokesman gave this explanation of the find:

"On December 11, 1944, a woodchopper named Owen Hill, and his father, O. B. Hill, who had been working in a mountainous forest region seventeen miles southwest of Kalispell, Mont., reported to the sheriff's office the discovery of an object which was thought to be a parachute.

"It was brought into town the next day and the FBI office at Butte, was advised. Upon examination, the object was discovered to be thirty-three and one-half feet in diameter, with a gas capacity of over 18,000 cubit feet and a carrying capacity of at least 800 pounds net.

"The bag itself is of high grade processed paper. There appeared on the balloon Japanese characters indicating completion of construction at the factory on October 31, 1944. Attached to the side of the balloon was an incendiary device with a fuse apparently intended for its destruction. A typical balloon rope structure attached to the flange around the bag ended in an elastic type cable at the bottom which had been severed. No determination has been made of the use for which it was intended. Prevailing winds on the west coast have blown strongly directly from the west or northwest in recent weeks and persons experienced in the use of free balloons report they are known to travel at speeds well in excess of 200 miles an hour. The balloon has been turned over to the military authorities who together with the navy checked into the matter with FBI."

Japanese War Plants Pounded By Superforts

Big Factories Badly Damaged

By VERN HAUGLAND

TWENTY-FIRST BOMBER COMMAND, SAIPAN, Dec. 18 (AP) — Superfortresses pounded Japanese war plants with new ferocity today, hitting particularly at the aircraft factories of Nagoya.

For two hours the big planes from Saipan ranged over the important war industry city in the heart of the Japanese mainland on Honshu island, duplicating in numerical strength the devastating raid they made on that same target December 13.

Second Group Attacks

(At the same time other Superforts of the Twentieth Bomber Command in China struck at Hankow, Japanese-occupied Chinese city far inland on the Yangtse river. It was their first raid there.

(Possibly 200 of the giant planes participate in these operations. The Japanese said there were seventy in the Nagoya raid and admitted they had done damage, including the starting of fires which required "resolute efforts" by air raid defense workers before they were put out.)

While the Saipan planes were on their way, Brig. Gen. Haywood Hansell, Jr., commander of the Twenty-first, reported that photographs taken after the December 13 Nagoya bombing showed greater damage to the Hatsudoki factory of the Mitsubishi aircraft works than had been expected.

18 Hours of Raids

(Japanese reports of today's operations said there had been an eighteen-hour series of Superfort raids, beginning at 9 p. m. Sunday, Japan time, with Nagoya the main target. But the big planes also flew over Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto, without dropping bombs, and appeared over Nanking, seat of the Japanese puppet government in China.

(The Japanese wireless agency said the Superforts feinted toward Tokyo and then turned westward for Nagoya, which is Japan's greatest center for the production of planes and aircraft parts.

(The enemy reports made no claims of shooting down any of the Superforts).

Japanese Leaders Confer with Emperor

[By The Associated Press]

The Tokyo radio said today that Premier Kuniaki Koiso and Foreign Minister Shigemitsu conferred separately with Emperor Hirohito.

Koiso reported on "state affairs in general," the FCC recorded broadcast said. Later, Shigemitsu was granted an audience to report on "matters under his jurisdiction."

(There was no indication whether these meetings may have been inspired by Japan's deteriorating position in the Philippines, where Americans on Mindoro island are within 145 miles of Manila, or by the increasing tempo of the B29 raids on Japan.)

Crop Production Equals Record

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Crop production in the United States in 1944, in spite of severe difficulties, about equals the alltime record set in 1942, the Agriculture department said today in its annual summary.

The aggregate production of all crops, now estimated at about 124 per cent of the 1923-32 or predrought average, was six per cent above 1943 production and eleven per cent above production in any season prior to 1942.

All previous records of corn and wheat production were shattered this year.

AMERICANS ADVANCE THROUGH BISCHWILLER



AMERICAN TROOPS move through Bischwiller, France, under enemy fire, according to the Signal Corps caption for this photo. A dead Yank lies on sidewalk at right. Bischwiller is a short distance northeast of Strasbourg. (AP Wirephoto from Signal Corps Radiophoto.)

Avery Still Defiant:

Says Montgomery Ward Cannot Take "Advice" of the War Labor Board

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 (AP)—Sewell Avery, chairman of the board of Montgomery Ward and Company, notified the War Labor Board tonight that if it desired "a further hearing, Wards, as always, will be happy to attend," and declared the company "cannot in good citizenship" accept the board's "advice."

The statement was a reply to the War Labor Board concerning the strike at four Detroit stores and the board's demands for minimum wages and maintenance of union membership at Wards plants in seven cities. The board had set midnight tonight as the time limit for the compliance to its directives.

In Washington earlier today WLB Chairman William H. Davis said "if we don't hear anything from Wards by tomorrow morning we will take the next step right away." He had offered as the only alternative "the usual course" of action in noncompliance cases. "The usual course" would be reference to Economic Stabilizer Fred M. Vinson, necessary preliminary to government seizure or economic pressures.

The company statement tonight said the War Labor Board's orders were "unenforceable," and that they "are merely 'advice' which no one has any legal duty to obey." It further stated "that the reprisals with which it threatens Wards are illegal."

Miami Newspaper And Editor Found Guilty of Contempt

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 18—(AP)—Circuit Judges Paul D. Barns and Marshall Wiseheart found the Miami Herald and Associate Editor John D. Pennekamp guilty of contempt of court today as the result of the publication of two critical editorials and a cartoon.

A $1,000 fine was levied against the Herald and $250 against Pennekamp, with the proviso that the fines did not have to be paid for thirty days or while an appeal was pending.

"We believe their decision is in violation of the first and fourteenth amendments to the constitution of the United States, and of the thirteenth section of the constitution of Florida, guaranteeing freedom of speech and of the press, and equal protection under the law," Pennekamp commented on the judges' action. x x x

"We will, therefore, appeal their findings promptly, not only in behalf of the Miami Herald, but in behalf of the basic rights of free speech and a free press generally."

The American Newspaper Publishers Association joined the Herald in defending the suit and sent General Counsel Elisha Hanson to participate in the hearing before Judges Barns and Wiseheart, who themselves heard the case without objection from the defendants.

Bitter Debate In Senate Over Foreign Policy

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—(AP)—The Senate today debated American foreign policy with a bitterness that spilled over into bipartisan condemnation of Britain's military intervention in Greece and criticism of Russia's role in the Balkans.

With six State department nominations before it as the excuse, the Senate furnished an hour's long preview of what might be expected when it receives a peace treaty.

New Dealers Critical

Otherwise loyal New Dealers criticized the slate of staff appointments President Roosevelt had sent up. Republicans defended the president's right to pick the men he wants. Calls came from both sides of the chamber for an enunciation of American foreign policy.

Seventy-eight-year-old Hiram Johnson, California Republican who fought the League of Nations, raised a quavering voice to urge the Senate to do something about Greece. There, he said, people were being "shot like dogs" with weapons we provided the British.

A. B. "Happy" Chandler, Kentucky Democrat who girdled the world in an army bomber, said he didn't want American diplomats who might "follow the British."

Wheeler Angry

Tall Burton K. Wheeler, Montana Democrat, shook his finger at his colleagues and asserted it was not the so-called Isolationists, but those who had plugged for this country's early intervention in the war, who were fighting the nominations.

Russia and England, he said, were looking after their own interests first but if "anybody here says he is for America first, he's an Isolationist." What could the United States do, he asked, if Russia says she is going to take the Balkans, the Dardanelles and Finland?

Chairman Tom Connally (D-Tex) of the Foreign Relations committee, pleaded for quick confirmation of the appointees. Otherwise, he said, the world would think President Roosevelt has "lost his leadership" on foreign affairs.

Pepper Opposed

Fluent Claude Pepper, Florida Democrat who said he has nearly always followed the president because he thought Mr. Roosevelt was right, called the nominations a mistake. He sought to delay action on them until after the new Congress meets, hoped Mr. Roosevelt would reconsider.

Arthur Vandenburg, Michigan Republican who thought the debate out of all proportion to the confirmation question involved, called for a statement of foreign policy by President Roosevelt. Pepper agreed the American ideas ought to be "articulated, clarified."

The president would speak up in good time, answered Scott Lucas, Illinois Democrat. When he did, "some senators who don't under-

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1,100 American War Planes Raid Nazi Railheads

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP)—An emergency sky express of 1,100 American war planes from Britain streaked through solid clouds over Western Germany today and hurled a cargo of 2,000 tons of bombs on the Rhine railheads of Cologne, Coblenz and Mainz—supply springboards for the German offensive on the western front.

More than 500 Flying Fortresses and 600 escorting Mustangs of the United States Eighth Air Force were risked in weather so hazardous that normally they would have been kept on the ground. A communique said three bombers and five fighters were missing after the attack on the rail centers.

Heavy Bombers Attack

Joining the attack, heavy bombers of the United States Fifteenth Air Force with protecting fighters hammered German synthetic oil refineries in Silesia and military targets in the Vienna area from bases in Italy.

The mighty Britain-based aerial fleet was guided through cloud walls five miles thick by radio, and the bombardiers dropped their explosives by instrument. The Luftwaffe did not interfere with the emergency mission and flak was reported generally meager.

So solid were the clouds the Mustangs could not find the ground to carry out any strafing jobs.

7,000 Planes in Action

In the last thirty-six hours possibly more than 7,000 Allied planes have pounded Nazi targets with some 12,000 tons of explosives, with at least seventy-five per cent of the mighty aerial power being concentrated against Field Marshal von Rundstedt's offensive.

Last night the 1,300 RAF bombers attacking three rail centers along the Ruhr clipped three. Ground gunners bagged twenty more and the Fifteenth from Italy destroyed forty-eight. In addition sixty others were damaged or probably destroyed.

Against the total of 273 destroyed or damaged, the Allies lost seventy-seven.

Traffic Deaths Low in November

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP)—Twenty-eight traffic fatalities occurred in Maryland during November, a wartime low for that month and a forty per cent reduction from the forty-seven deaths in the corresponding 1943 month, the State Traffic Safety commission reported today.

The figure compared with forty-eight highway deaths in October.

Yanks Forced Back in Great Ground Battle

95 German Tanks Are Knocked Out

By GEORGE TUCKER

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE PARIS, Dec. 18 (AP) — The great German counteroffensive, hammering a deep dent in United States First Army lines, plunged at least eighteen miles inside Belgium today despite a lashing ground defense and Allied air blows that knocked out ninety-five enemy tanks and armored vehicles and damaged twenty-six more.

First indication of the extent of the German drive came from the United States Air Force, which announced that British Typhoons had attacked twenty German armored vehicles "west of Stavelot", which is eighteen miles west of the frontier and twenty-four miles southeast of the Fortress of Liege.

This was fifteen miles from where the lines stood before the German push began.

Germans Use New Weapons

Both the First and Ninth army sectors were bombarded day and night by a new German V-weapon of undisclosed nature. The front rocked to the explosions of the weapons and the thunder of American anti-aircraft fire. Flares lighted the night sky.

Through heavy censorship of ground troop movements on the First army front came reports of pilots participating in the greatest mass destruction of enemy armor since the battle of the Falaise Gap in Normandy last summer.

United States fighter bombers lending priceless aid to ground troops, many of whom had their positions overrun, ripped up and down the western front, destroying an additional 265 transport vehicles.

They also pounded German troops and gun positions, bombing and strafing.

Crack Troops Attack

The German high command hurled scores of thousands of crack troops and large numbers of tanks into the great fluid battle that may decide the entire course of World War II.

Once more the Germans threw their air forceinto the battle, attacking up to 300 strong, but forty-five of them were knocked from the sky in swirling aerial dogfights above the battlefield.

Front line officers of the United States First Army made no attempt to minimize the seriousness of this supreme effort to stall the Allied drive on the Rhine—a counteroffensive reminiscent of Ludendorf's final push in the spring of 1918.

News Closely Censored

At 4 p. m. an ironclad censorship of news was imposed on the entire length of the First army front, which earlier dispatches had said was alive with German attacks of varying strength from Duren eighty miles south, to Southern Luxembourg.

As the battle mounted in intensity, the Germans uncorked a brand new V-weapon and by day and night bombarded forward as well as rear areas. Its nature was obscured by official censorship.

Once more some Belgian civilians, fearful of a major German breakthrough, were picking up their belongings and fleeing west, just as they had done before the onslaught of Hitler's legions in 1940.

U. S. Tank Division Gains

Far to the southwest four United States divisions edged forward into the German Palatinate's Siegfried line defenses on a fourteen-mile front extending from the Rhine westward. One tank division penetrated seven rows of the line's dragon teeth tank barriers north of Wissembourg. Twenty-three miles west of Wissembourg, the German-manned Maginot fortifications around the fortress of Bitche were crumbling under combined assault of doughboys, engineers and artillerymen pouring everything into the big concrete forts.

Farther west on the United States Third Army front, infantry pushed to the eastern edge of the Siegfried fortified city of Dillingen, and punched out half-mile gains in the Southern Saar.

The heaviest enemy rail move-

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Murray and Green Exchange Angry Words in Discussing Labor Peace

HAROLD W. WARD
Associated Press Labor Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—CIO President Philip Murray today offered to meet the AFL and formulate a plan of co-operation between the rival organizations, but held out no hope of a "marriage" of forces.

AFL President William Green, promptly threw cold water on the proposal, calling the offer "the same sort of phony functional unity which the CIO has often prated about in the past."

Green said he interpreted the Murray offer, made in the form of a letter to Green, as "flat refusal" of the New Orleans AFL convention plea for organic merger of the two groups.

Green expressed regret that Murray and his associates of the CIO do not yet realize "the dangers that face labor and are content with shadow boxing and pretense."

The AFL at its convention adopted resolutions authorizing special committees to resume negotiations with both the CIO and John L. Lewis's United Mine Workers in an effort to bring both back into the American Federation of Labor.

Construction Totaling $7,000,000 Approved by Board of Public Works

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18—(AP)—The Maryland commission on postwar planning recommended to the Board of Public Works today the allocation of state funds for planning the construction of two buildings at Johns Hopkins university and approved construction totaling more than $7,000,000 for seven state establishments.

Appropriation of funds for the construction of the two buildings for the two Hopkins engineering buildings, estimated to cost $1,250,000, also will be requested of the legislature by university officials, commission members indicated.

The commission voted approval construction for the University of Maryland, at an estimated cost of $4,274,000; Morgan college, $957,000; Maryland Training School for Boys, $166,500; Montrose School for Girls, $161,820; Maryland State Police, $290,500 and the women's prison, $21,500.

The building of a new Maryland training school for negro boys at an estimated cost of $957,000 also was approved by the commission.

E. Brooke Lee, chairman of the committee on public activities, said that the committee's action on the Johns Hopkins plans was taken at the request of Governor O'Conor.

Lee reported that William C. Walsh, state's attorney general, advised him that the project could be legally financed by legislative action "probably along the same lines that were followed when the 1912 session made $600,000 available for the construction of the present buildings of the engineering school" at the university. The proposed new buildings are a laboratory and classroom structures.

Fierce Kachin Tribesmen Saving Lives of Many Americans in Burma

By FRANK L. MARTIN

MYITKYINA, NORTH BURMA, Dec. 18 (AP)—For more than two and one-half years 5,000 fierce Kachin tribesman of Northern Burma, who love to jump from Allied airplanes, have been parachuting into the hills killing Japanese and rescuing American pilots who were forced to bail out over enemy territory. Something of their story can now be disclosed.

During the past thirty months they have saved the lives of 220 United States airmen, killed 3,000 enemy soldiers and taken thirty-five prisoners, while operating under the command of American army, navy and marine officers. Most of the American officers whose names are withheld for security reasons and all the Kachins are volunteers.

One of the strangest of all Allied fighting units, it is known as the American-Kachin Ranger force — but the Kachins themselves prefer to call it "Mhprop Phung," meaning "Lightning Force."

The colorful Kachins, who know every foot of the dense jungle, have destroyed thousands of tons of enemy supplies, burned scores of bridges behind the lines and wrecked more than a dozen trains which were bringing supplies to Japanese frontline troops in North Burma.

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U. S. Holiday Customs Run from Fireworks to Feasts



OLD WORLD AND NEW are welded in America's festivities. Left, Dutch children in the U. S. see traditional Netherlands Santa. Right, Carollers sing in Roickefeller Center, N. Y.

AP Newsfeatures

The Christmas spirit may be universal, but there's nothing universal about the way it is manifested. Even in America, holiday customs differ, varying from setting off firecrackers down south to the traditional carrolling on Boston's Beacon Hill.

How Americans celebrate Christmas depends pretty must on where they live, and who their ancestors were. For Christmas customs in the United States in a pot-pourri of traditions carried over from the other side, blended with some all-American additions.

In a single state, holiday customs sometimes vary considerably. Among the Pennsylvanian Dutch, for example, Santa often does a quick switch and answers to the name of Pelznickel, and food rather than gifts dominates the day. The fastnacht (Fast Night) cake is a specialty, baked either as a brittle sweet cookie, or a coarse spice cake with seeds. In Dutch farmhouses, dinner is likely to consist of goose with sauerkraut stuffing, peach or apple dumplings.

The same state's Moravians in Bethlehem have an annual candlelight ceremony begun in 1756. The church service is known as the "love feast," which symbolizes the bringing together of all classes. Moravian children hurry home after church to find the "putz," a miniature landscape that is another ancient tradition.

And Pennsylvanians of Swedish descent in Philadelphia began their Christmas season on Dec. 13, Santa Lucia day, with a service in the parish hall of historic Gloria Dei church.

Down south, no one even dreams of a white Christmas. When the chrysanthemums and jacmine bloom late, it's a very flowery day, often ushered in with firecrackers. Southern festivities feature fruit cake, doused in scuppernong grape wine, and generally baked right after Thanksgiving. The holiday tree is often a fat, full cedar.

Some families of German-American descent in Cincinnati and Milwaukee still hang their stockings on Dec. 6, St. Nicholas Day, but reserve their religious celebration foe Christmas Day itself. Out on Hatteras island, the fisherfolk of Rodanthe wait until "Old Christmas," Twelfth Night, or Jan. 5 in accordance with a custom as old as the community itself. Santa makes two visits there—one on Christmas Eve and another on "Old Chrnstmas."

Chinese - Americans celebrate Christmas by adding their own delicacies to the traditional turkey, while Italians prefer eels for the holiday dinner.

ELECTION NOTICE

The First National Bank
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Dec. 5, 1944.

The Stockholders of this Bank are hereby notified that an election for Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, No. 153 Baltimore Street, on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1945, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

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Could Cleopatra Drink a Pearl With Stomach Ulcer Pains?

An intriguing story of Cleopatra is the one where an admirer praised the beauty of two of her pearls, whereupon she dropped one into a glass of wine and drank it. She would hardly have done this had she suffered after-eating pains. Those who are distressed with stomach or ulcer pains, indigestion, gas pains, heartburn, burning sensation, bloat and other conditions caused by excess acid should try Udga. Get a 25c box of Udga Tablets from your druggist. First dose must convince or return box to us and get DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK. Peoples Drug Stores and drug stores everywhere. —Advertisement

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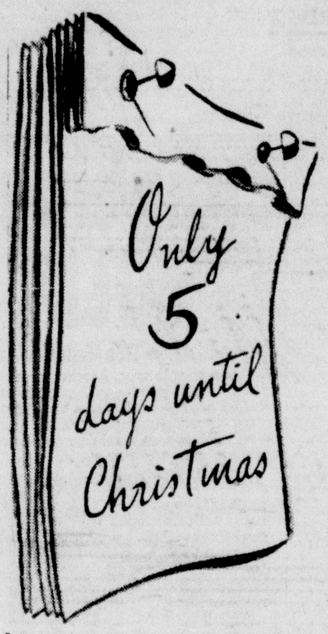




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Tuesday Morning, December 19, 1944

The Total Vote For President

ASSOCIATED PRESS STAFFERS have compiled the vote cast for president in the November 7 election to show the percentage of the total popular vote polled by each major party and the minor parties, together with the plurality of the winning party and comparisons for the three preceding general elections.

Under normal conditions this compilation would have been made earlier and published in full, but the former was affected by the extension of the servicemen's voting privileges and the latter by the newsprint shortage.

For the benefit of readers who likt to keep track of such things the total vote for the nation and for Maryland shown by the compilation is here noted.

The total vote this year was 47,969,828. Roosevelt got 25,610,946, or 53.4 per cent of the total; Dewey 22,,018,177, or 45.9 per cent of the total. The Roosevelt plurality was 3,592,769. This compares with a Roosevelt majority of 4,938,711 in 1940; 11,072,014 in 1936 and 7,060,016 in 1932. The percentages ranged from 60.8 high in 1936 to 53.4 per cent in November this year.

As for Maryland, the total vote this year was 609,419 with 316,138, or 51.9 per cent, going to Roosevelt and 293,281, or 48.1 per cent going to Dewey. The Roosevelt plurality was 22,857. Four years ago the Roosevelt plurality in Maryland was 114,922 and in 1936 it was 158,177. The percentages ranged from 62.4 in 1936 to the 48.1 of November this year.

Republicans of the state—and their friends—have been cutting down the Roosevelt plurality in great shape since 1936. The downward percentage for Roosevelt in the state was 10.5 as against the national slump of 7.4 per cent. If they can do only a fraction as well in the next two years, the state will be in the Republican column and that is where it should be, and where it should have been in November.

A Reminder of Our Living Standard

HOME FRONTERS are a whole lot better off than many of the realize. Now and then, however, the exigencies of war bring the fact to mind and rather sharply. There is the current match shortage, for example, which is both a shortage and not a shortage, but just sufficiently of the former to remind everybody at home of the high level of the American living standard. That standard leads the world, but a goodly number of those enjoying it are not aware of the fact and accordingly do not sufficiently appreciate it. Too many of our everyday conveniences, which are in the nature of luxuries in other lands, come so easily, have been enjoyed for so long that they are just taken for granted.

But maybe these reminders are wholesome, even if they do not cause us any great inconvenience. We have been pretty free and easy with our matches. Pads and boxes of them have been handed us with small purchases of cigarets and tobacco as a gratuity. And the popular monogrammed book matches have always been easily obtained at small cost. But matches are a precious article in many other countries. In some they are government monopolies. In others they are a source of tax revenue, making them a luxury. But here we have always had matches "to burn" and then some.

We are now called upon to sacrifice a tiny bit of our established convenience in matches for the war. During the next six months ninety per cent of the penny boxes and twenty-five per cent of the entire domesic supply of book matches are going to our fighting forces and our allies overseas. Our troops use an enormous quantity of matches—they really need them. In addition our fighting men have found that a package of matches is prized nearly as much as food in occupied countries and that giving a pack is one of the surest ways of making a friend.

Our little sacrifice in matches is, accordingly, both a war necessity and an investment. But it's so small there is no reason one should kick. That's because there will be plenty of the kitchen type of matches for everybody. Now if we had to go without and use tapers or strike flints, then there would be some reason to squawk. So for the gentle reminder about our living standard there occasion for a feeling of thankfulness.

Bomber Development Prompts War Speed

THE NEWS FROM WASHINGTON that secret tests are being made of war planes larger than the B-29 Superfortress, now being used to raid Japan, will be accepted with grim satisfaction by most Americans. In view of the vast size of the B-29, the very mention of the names of the projected bombers—B-35, B-36 and B-42—must stir fear in the hearts of the Nipponese as they ponder their fate when the new monsters of the sky participate in the destruction of their war industries.

It must now be apparent to everyone that there is growing emphasis on long-range bombing and that the limit of the possible range with ever larger and more efficient planes is not yet in sight. Fortunately, America is in the lead in this field, and the nation's enemies have no bases less than 3,000 miles away. But government officials have said that if one nation can build long-range bombers, others can do so. The fact that America is steadily developing bombers of longer range must lead to the somber reflection that the nation's foes may some day strive to do the same. Thus the faster the war can be brought to a victorious conclusion the better.

The armed forces are doing their part toward achieving that objective, but they could do more if everyone in this country did all he could to aid the war effort. Everyone knows of the ways in which he could step up his contribution toward victory. But too frequently knowing one's duty and performing it are things apart.

True patriotism now only stirs the mind. It also influences the will to action.

Where Congress Must Display Fortitude

IN SPITE of predictions that are being made that the total debt may climb to half a trillion dollars by the time the war ends, plans are reported as being developed by practically all the permanent federal agencies and some of the war agencies for vast expansion after the war. Unless Congress rebels, few war service appointees will have to leave the federal service.

But the Congress should rebel against this planned expansion. The obvious need is for planned reductions. There should be careful, intelligent appraisal by the national lawmakers to determine which of the agency plans are actually essential for getting our war-torn economy back into shape, to what length of time this may be necessary and how this can be financed. But more important would be an appraisal of what can be cut out, not only among the war agencies but also in the regular agencies.

The cost of government should be brought down to manageable size in view of the vast war debt that must be paid. It must be brought down if the country is to be saved from unbearable taxes and if private business is to be encouraged thereby to supply the jobs that will be needed to make the nation sufficiently prosperous and self-supporting to take care of the great war debt burden.

Congressmen are not thinking about this problem of costs and debt as they should. In addition to the necessity for curbing costs, carrying the debt and thereby stimulating production, they will be up against a multitude of pressure demands for this and for that, to some of which they are already showing an inclination to succumb for vote-getting purposee. Congress faces a tremendous responsibility regarding the postwar stability of the nation. If it is not met, the inevitable results are something terrible to contemplate.

War Cost May Reach Half a Trillion

THERE IS a widely accepted estimate that this war, if all present contract authorizations are carried out and if the struggle is not prolonged beyond next year, will cost the United States $400,000,000,000.

It is, of course, impossible now to make a dependable guess in view of inability to predict the date of termination and because many expenditures chargeable to war will continue in the peace years. But it is probable that if the war is now expected to cost $400,000,000,000 on the basis of present contract authorizations, it will cost ultimately $500,000,000,000 at least.

This is an astronomical figure, but comprehension of it can be gained by comparison with the cost of other American wars. The cost of the War of 1812 was $133,700,000. During and after the Mexican war, the cost of that conflict totaled $166,000,000. (Expenditures are running $250,000,000 a day in this conflict). The Civil war up to 1932, including pensions, cost $14,724,000,000, and the war with Spain, including pensions up to 1938, entailed expenditures of $1,921,504,000.

World War I, with postwar costs chargeable to that conflict, cost $41,765,000,000.

This war will be at least ten times as costly as World War I. And when all the bills are in, it will not be surprising to many persons if the cost is ten times as great as all of America's other wars.

Our curbstone philosopher yearns for the good old days of traveling when one could always find a seat in the smoking car and something to smoke while there.

Now that wool has successfully been made from milk, poor old Bossy soon won't know whether she is in the dairy or clothing business.

Italians complain they haven't enough bread. They might as well be told now that eventually they will have to supply their own.

There is no doubt Allies will win the war. Chief interest lies in who will pitch during the playoff at the peace table.

The Japs have an elastic defense system, all right. It keeps snapping right back in their not-so-easy-to-save face.

"It's None of My Business, but --"

Whenever I say, "It's none of my business, but—" I know I'm starting a sentence I have no right to finish.

So far, however, my record is clean and I think I have never resisted the temptation to finish that sentence.

Always I open my mouth and put my feet into it. Always I tell the other fellow something that's supposed to be for his own good but isn't . . . Always I try to put myself in HIS place, although I ought to know I can't, never can, and should not try to do it.

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My idea of a perfect world is one in which whenever anybody starts to say, "It's none of my business, but—" it will be like rubbing a magical lamp and a flame-breathing monster will appear and snatch the offender away to some far place . . . Some horrible pit of burning sulphur and exhaust gas where we will be tied to a tree and surrounded by demons who will yell at us:

"It's none of our business but—

"When did you go to the barber last?

"Your shoes need shining.

"You have a bad case of dandruff.

"It's too bad you have no chin to speak of.

"You are a bore.

"Your wife married you for your money.

"All the kids in your block agree you're a mean father."

And after the demons let us go, bruised and chastened, we'd depart for the earth sadder but wiser men and women resolved never again to mind someone else's business.

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World Peace and Treaty-Voting Change Plans Are Affected by Polish Situation

By MARK SULLIVAN

The announcement that part of the territory of Poland is to be given to Russia has had concrete effects in Washington. Some of the effect is on the proposal for an international organization to prevent future wars. It is by no means necessary to say that this proposal, on its merits, has received a crippling blow. Clearly, however, an attitude of urgency and speed in furthering the proposal, has given way to an attitude of careful consideration.

For several weeks the spirit surrounding the proposal has been one of hurry. Some advocates of it believed it should be adopted at once, before the war ends. In the general atmosphere of favor for the proposal, those who felt it should be adopted quickly had, so to speak, right of way. This condition no longer prevails. The thought that we should go forward carefully now dominates the situation.

Speed Argument

For speed in adopting the permanent organization for preventing future wars, the argument was that it is not to be impeded by the peace settlements at the end of the present war. It was realized that these peace settlements will be attended by contentions and disappointments. The desire was to have the permanent peace organization in existence before such contentions arise. The contentions over peace settlements—so it was argued—would be temporary. They ought not to be allowed to interfere with the permanent organization.

Now, however, one of the peace settlements emerges suddenly, out of turn. And this is, in America at lease, perhaps the most contentious one of the peace settlements. It is realized, or claimed, that if part of Poland is now given to Russia, the function of the permanent organization to prevent war would be to maintain the status quo. If in the future Poland should try to get back its lost territory, that would be an act of aggression. And the United States, as a member of the permanent peace organization, would be called on to help resist the aggression.

Treaty Change Affected

Another effect, of the same kind, has been caused by the emergence of the Polish question and by some other developments. Soon after this session of Congress began in November, there arose a movement to facilitate adoption of the international organization to prevent war. The immediate purpose was to change the constitutional rule which says that international treaties must be ratified by two-thirds of the Senate. Some persons favoring the presently proposed international organization felt that the one a quarter century ago, the League of Nations, had been frustrated by the rule which gives power of veto to one-third plus one of the Senate. Whether this is historically exact does not matter. Those favoring the present proposed organization sincerely felt so.

To abolish the two-thirds rule requires an amendment to the constitution. A movement for amendment got under way. It had support in both parties, and from members of Congress who ordinarily are most devoted to the integrity of the Constitution. They hurried, because an amendment to the constitution requires action by the states, and nearly all the state legislatures will meet in January or a little later. The hope was to get the proposed amendment through Congress, and ready for the states, before this session of Congress should end.

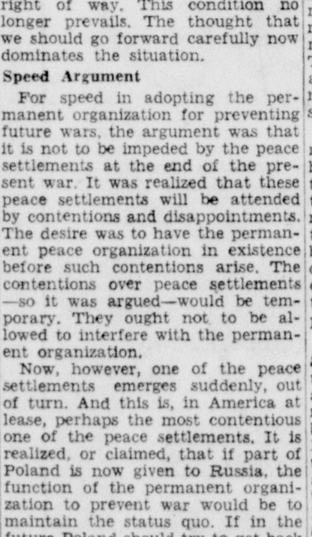
It may be the suggested amendment would have slowed up anyhow. In any event, it is doomed by the emergency of the Polish question. The prevailing mood now is not to hurry the proposed international organization to prevent war, but to go about it with deliberate care. The desire to have such an organization is not, however, materially diminished.

Mood May Change

The present mood may change. Something depends on what attitude President Roosevelt takes about the Polish matter. A statement from him is expected. It may be that Mr. Roosevelt expected the Polish matter, and other peace settlements, to be taken up for formal action at the next meeting of the three heads of governments — Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Stalin.

Probably the present mood of Washington will continue as a kind of suspended animation, until the meeting of the three heads of governments takes place. About this meeting there is mystification in Washington. Mr. Churchill said he wants it, and soon. Mr. Roosevelt has obviously looked forward to it. About Mr. Stalin's attitude there has been no definite public statement. A fair record would say that from the beginning of the present relations of the three governments, more than three years ago, Mr. Stalin has seemed less eager about conferences than the other two. Mr. Stalin's apparent reluctance has in fact been mystifying, and to informed observers has seemed difficult to understand. In the spirit of being friendly to Russia, Mr. Stalin's apparent reluctance about conferences has been more discussed in private than written or spoken about publicly.

TO EXPLAIN TURMOIL



IT HAS BEEN just announced in London that Richard Law, minister of state in the British Foreign Office, is en route to Washington, D. C., to explain to American officials the British position in the troublesome liberated areas of Italy and Greece.

Soil and Climate Knock out Rubber Project in Haiti

By CENTRAL PRESS

WASHINGTON.—The story of a $6,300,000 loss to the United States in starting a rubber plantation in Haiti was disclosed in a recent report by the Rubber Development Corporation. The story involves the vine-like, rubber-yielding plant, cryptostegia, and plans to plant 100,000 acres of it in Haiti back in 1942.

The object, of course, was to find some source for the desperately-needed crude rubber from which the Japs had cut us off, and while cryptostegia never had been cultivated commercially before and little was known of its characteristics, the gamble was decided upon.

So approximately 70,000 of the proposed 100,000 acres of Haitian jungle actually got cleared and some 43,000 acres of plantings were set out. But neither the cryptostegia nor nature would cooperate with Uncle Sam.

First, the plants demanded considerably more exacting soil and moisture conditions and required much longer to mature than had been expected.

Retarded by Drought

Secondly, a serious drought retarded growth so much that it became apparent that little or no rubber could be obtained from the plants in 1944-45—and only a small amount in 1946. Furthermore, it was evident that about seven million more dollars would be needed to carry on through 1946.

So the 100,000 acres never was planted and the whole idea was given up, except for cultivation at one experimental station where things were well under way. The scheme will not be a total loss, however. From this one station, the RDC expects to learn once and for all whether cryptostegia could ever, under any circumstances, be an economically feasible source of rubber.

Tariff Issue Is Dusted Off

The tariff, long buried as a political issue, is being dusted off and groomed as a red-hot issue when the war in Europe ends. In the opinion of veteran congressional observers it will come back to life as a major battle ground for both political parties.

The ancient argument that prosperity will result from lowering tariff rates is being advanced. This time it is offered as an aid to the rehabilitation of Europe after V-E Day. Briefly, the argument is that the United States should buy a lot of foreign-made goods after the war so foreigners may establish credits here to buy American-made goods.

On the other side is the traditional Republican argument that a lowering of tariff walls would result in flooding the United States with foreign-made articles and result in a price war in which American firms could not compete successfully—that the firms would be forced to close their doors and that workmen would be forced out of jobs.

GOP Aid Seen

Some observers see the tariff issue as an aid to the GOP in its efforts to get back into power in Washington. Since the advent of FDR the tariff issue has been sidetracked by empowering the president to make reciprocal trade agreements with foreign countries.

It is no secret that the Republicans in Congress have had enough power to repeal the reciprocal tariff system, but in the interest of not shocking our Allies a gentlemen's agreement was reached to extend the act.

Administration leaders plainly are fearful that once the urgency of war solidarity is passed, there will be a drive in Congress to toss out the act and hike rates.

To date this skirmishing has been behind the scene, but it may set the nation by its ear soon. Further, a real scrap over immigration looms for after V-E Day. A large segment of Congress would like to stop immigration after the war to save jobs for people already in the country.

Evidence Varies On Stalling Charge Against Russians

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—Behind the Army and Navy Journal charge that Russian and British politics in Europe have delayed military victory, investigation will show consideration yes-and-no evidence.

The hinge-point is whether the Russians held back on their march through Poland to Berlin in order to gobble up the Balkans and Baltic states for themselves, whether they deliberately delayed conquest of Germany proper.

Some Polish organizations have claimed the Reds did not throw in enough power in their Warsaw drive last August, but the military evidence shows they put thirty divisions into that fray. Also Warsaw is easier to defend from atack from the East than the West. The Wista river is supposed to run through the city, but actually the important part of the metropolis is on the west bank, which is higher and commands the east bank from which attack must be made. The Reds appear to have made a real fight and lost in August and then let that matter go in favor of their southern campaign through Rumania, Hungary, etc.

Old Fortifications

The Nazi fortifications ten to fifteen miles inside the East Prussian frontier are old, (built before the war) and comparable with those we are facing in the west. Here also the Red Army butted its head against a real wall in September and let the fighting degrade into trapping actions thereafter. Fall weather would not normally hold them up, but the ground now is freezing and in perfect condition for fighting.

Reports have been published that a Russian drive is about to start on the dormant Polish front, but you cannot tell about that until action starts and progresses far enough to gauge the size of it.

The Nazis fought the same delaying tactics against the Reds in the Baltic states as they used against us in France, holding ports and pockets of resistance with suicide squads. Indeed, elements of ten German divisions still hold the Riga estuary, nullifying the capture of that port as at Antwerp.

Waltz to Budapest

On the other hand the southern drive through the Balkans was a waltz up to Budapest. After the Prut river was crossed, Ploesti was captured, Rumania dropped like a plum to Stalin as did Bulgaria and Yugoslavia. It is undeniable that this military campaign has worked Russia's way politically, not only as to the Balkans but by keeping Poland on the rough edge until Polish politics and Churchill settled the Russian way. The Russians are farther from Berlin at Budapest than they were in Poland at the end of summer.

The facts from Europe seem inwardly and outwardly to be kept in a yes-and-no state. Indeed, there is arising here an attitude like that of the New Deal senator whose statements you may have seen. He says it is all British propaganda about the communists wanting the Greek government or being involved in the revolt.

Familiar Line

"We hear conservatives yelling communist every time a people's movement rears its head," he says. This is the same line familiar since the Spanish revolution of "it is" on one side "it isn't" on the other, with no one getting at acceptable facts of the truth.

Personally, for myself, I rely mainly on the judgment of the military in such matters, but not on politicians here or abroad. By and large, military men care little about communism or conservatives, but want to win their war. They know more about the facts than senators. Their Army and Navy Journal reflected the viewpoint of a large segment of the defense services, although other Army experts are inclined to give Russia the benefit of doubt, at least until they see how big a drive now develops in Poland.

Fact-Seeking Necessary

In this kind of a yes-and-no game of news from Europe, where skilled propaganda forces are at work in a life and death struggle for power, it is necessary that senators, as all citizens, try to ascertain and advertise provable conditions such as the communist connections of European cabinet members, or lack of them, and to be equally alert to the solid evidence of British use of pressure and power. That is the only way to defeat propaganda.

To say the complete communist conquest of the Balkans, the four Communist party members in the Italian cabinet and two to four in the Greek cabinet, represent only "a cry of communists by the conservatives" is to serve the cause of Russian propaganda, rather stupidly. Certain facts are ascertainable. The old familiar line is worn out.

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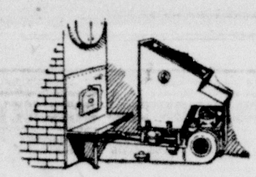


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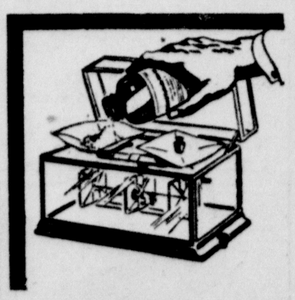
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75 Names Appear On Jaycees Birthday List

Seventy-five serving in the armed forces have birthday anniversaries the week of December 24, according to the one hundred and twenty-first release of the Cumberland Junior Association of Commerce. The list follows:

December 24

Robert W. Atwell, 213 Cecilia street; Kenneth W. Gray, 501 Springdale street; Charles H. Hartman, 10 Broadway circle; Rudolph R. Merling, R. F. D. No. 1, Cash Valley; Lawrence Pattituci, 209 Union street; Louis G. Stein, 725 Columbia avenue; Wilbert E. Brant, 206 Virginia avenue; William Stafford, Main street, Lonaconing, and Andrew Lasso, Midland.

December 25

Bernard J. Borgman, R. F. D., No. 3, Bedford road; Ellis E. Dash, Ellerslie; Leo T. Downey, Jr., 513 Avirett avenue; Jeremiah G. Gant, 1020 Rolling Mill alley; Charles W. Golden, R. F. D. No. 5; Dorsey C. Mangus, 319 Laing avenue; Ralph C. Martin, 525 Dilley street; Albert F. Morris, 327 Central avenue; John F. Nimick, 328 Davidson street; Edward J. Rowe, 715 Fairmont avenue; John E. Trost, 514 Sheridan place; James E. Valentine, 322 Reservoir avenue; John K. Mackert, 29 Ridgeway terrace; James Rankin, Jr., Lonaconing; James E. Crites, 231 Elder street, and John A. Retallick, Jr., Lonaconing.

December 26

Edward R. Burkey, 601 Patterson avenue; Robert E. Dalton, Boulevard apartments; Carl D. Deneen, Main street, Hancock; Walter W. Edwards, 224 Wallace street; Robert C. Gray, Barrelville; Leroy H. Hershberger, 715 Gephart drive; Charles A. Kreger, 423 Furnace street; Ross G. Lewis, 607 Virginia avenue; Arthur J. Lynch, 8 Ridgeway terrace; Glenn E. Stouffer, Cresaptown; George E. Fansler, R. F. D. No. 4; Frank L. Sterry, 93 Walnut street, Frostburg and Burton Smith, 24 Church street, Lonaconing.

December 27

Thomas B. Barnard, 441 Goethe street; Homer W. Cecil, Cresaptown; Robert N. Chaney, R.F.D. No. 3; George C. Loar, R.F.D. No. 1; Lawrence R. McKenzie, 323 Baltimore avenue; Robert W. May, 501 N. Centre street; Owen P. Stowell, 113 Bellevue street; Carl E. True, Little Orleans; Robert M. Ziler, 738 Maryland avenue, and C. Robert Lowery, Hyndman, Pa.

December 28

Charles W. Billmyre, 418 Columbia street; Robert W. Fetters, 224 N. Centre street; Richard J. Graham, 722 Baker street; Richard R. Hamilton, 15 Oak street; John R. Sapp, 38 Hawthorne avenue; Ralph E. Wilson, 257 Columbia street; Melvin D. Wright, Park Heights; and Russell W. Blubaugh, 222 Front street, Westernport.

December 29

Richard J. Bennett, 221 S. Smallwood street; John C. Blocker, 115 Frederick street; Robert L. Cowden, 203 Beall street; James E. Earsom, 12 N. Mechanic street; T. P. Ferrato, 313 Independence street; Maurice J. Floyd, Box No. 2, Middletown, Md.; Ernest D. Huff, R.F.D. No. 3; Emerson Mc. Lee, R.F.D. No. 3, Valley road; Frederick H. Poland, Cresaptown; Raymond E. Shaw, Oldtown; Blair L. Holmes, Douglas avenue, Lonaconing; and Howard T. Rice, Mt. Savage.

December 30

William B. Hite, Corriganville; Keith L. Pirkey, 108 Paca street; Orville E. Shaffer, R.F.D. No. 1, Buffalo Mills, Pa.; David W. Smith, 324 Bedford street; Emory H. Wallis, Mt. Savage road; William H. Rankin, Lonaconing; and Samuel H. Hott, Jr., 559 Chestnut street, Keyser.

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2. The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia has held that orders of the War Labor Board are merely "advice" which no one has any legal duty to obey. The court held that anyone who refuses to comply with orders of the War Labor Board is not defying a command of the government and that since the orders are merely advisory, no government official has the right to impose punishments on those who do not comply. The Supreme Court has refused to alter this decision.

3. Wards has refused to agree to any form of closed shop, or compulsory union membership. The closed shop, including maintenance of membership, violates the American principles of liberty and freedom. Liberty requires that every employee be free to join, refuse to join, or resign from a union without losing his job. Liberty requires that Wards be free to employ workers, and to continue to employ them, on a basis of merit—union members and non-members alike.

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Semi-formal Dance Will Be Held at Green Ridge

Semi-formal Christmas Affair Will Be Given Tomorrow Evening

A semi-formal Christmas dance will be held tomorrow evening for the army personnel at the Green Ridge Prisoner of War Camp, Mrs. George T. Woodworth, chairman of the YMCA committee sponsoring the dance, announces. Everett R. Johnson, executive secretary of the Y, will be honor guest.

Santa Claus will serve as master of ceremonies for the dance, which will be cabaret style. Jimmy Andrews and his orchestra will play from 8:30 o'clock until mid-night. The floor show will be presented by the Ferrone trio.

The Christmas motif will be carried out in the decorations with wreaths of evergreen, tied with red ribbon, a Christmas tree, and red candles on each table.

Senior hostesses assisting Mrs. Woodworth are Miss Pearl Garbrick, Miss Chloris Benson and Miss Louise Cornell.

Two Brides Honored By Officers Club

Two brides were honored by the Will-Light Officers Club of McKinley Chapter, No. 12, Order of the Eastern Star at its annual Christmas party and banquet Saturday evening at the Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club. Mrs. J. M. Buchholtz, the former Miss Kathryn Miller, and Mrs. Chester Collins, the former Miss Virginia Appell, members of the club are both brides of the month.

Frank E. Smith, worthy grand patron, and Mrs. Smith were also special guests. Mrs. Margaret Will and Myers G. Light presided at the banquet. The bridal and holiday motif were combined in the decorations with bouquets of red and white flowers and evergreen and red tapers at either end of the table, which was centered with a tiered cake adorned with a miniature bride and bridegroom. Covers were laid for thirty-six members and guests.

Cards featured the entertainment during the evening and Mrs. Eleanor Worley won the prize for bridge; J. B. Steiding, for 500 and Clem Miller, set back.

Business of the year will be concluded at the meeting of the chapter January 5; and Mrs. Lillie Miller and Harry Poling will be installed at the joint installation ceremony on January 12.

Class Plans Party

The Baraca Bible class of the St. Luke's Lutheran church will hold its annual Christmas party in conjunction with its monthly meeting at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening in the social hall of the church.

A special Christmas program will be presented under the chairmanship of Miss Lona Kraft, and class sisters will be revealed and jingle gifts will be exchanged.

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Miss Edythe Slaven Becomes Bride of Pfc. Reese Everhart

Miss Edythe Beverly Slaven, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Slaven, 622 Fairview avenue, became the bride of Pfc. Reese Arnold Everhart, Fort Austis, Va., son of C. H. Everhart, Detroit, Mich., last evening.

The ring ceremony was solemnized in the parsonage of the Centre Street Methodist church, Washington street, with the Rev. Walter Marion Michael, D.D., pastor, officiating. Dr. and Mrs. Michael were intimate friends of the namesake of the bridegroom, Reese Arnold of Baltimore.

Miss Ruth Lee Slaven, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and her only attendant. Henry Barncord served as Pvt. Everhart's best man.

The bride was attired in a fuschia colored silk crepe, street length dress with which she wore dark brown accessories. Her maid of honor wore an aqua blue costume with black accessories.

The bride attended Allegany high school and is employed by the McCrory's Five and Ten Cent Store. The bridegroom was a farmer near Lancaster, Pa., before entering the service in May 1944. He received his training at Fort Eustis, Va., and is now stationed there as a military police for the prisoners of war there. He is now on a twelve day furlough. Mrs. Everhart will reside with her parents for the duration.

Merici Veteran Unit Will Meet Wednesday

Members of the Merici Veteran Unit of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wyand F. Doerner, 14 North Johnson street, at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening for carolling practice. Saturday they will meet at the home of Miss Louise Price, 402 Fayette street, at 8 o'clock to go carolling and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kreidler will be hosts to the group for an informal party at their home, Fayette street, following the carolling.

The jingle party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose McKenzie, Washington street at 8:30 o'clock December 26. Miss Stella C. Corliss is chairman for the party and is being assisted by DeSales Cook and Miss Louise Santora. Miss Price is in charge of carolling with Mrs. Kreidler and Mr. Cooke assisting.

The Study Club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kreidler January 7.

Events in Brief

Salon 325, Eight and Forty, American Legion Auxiliary will hold its Christmas jingle party following the business meeting at 9 o'clock this evening at the legion home.

Our Flag of Cumberland Chapter No. 100, Daughters of America will meet at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening at the Junior Order hall.

The carolers for the Christmas play at the Grace Baptist church will practice at 6:30 clock tomorrow evening at the church and the characters in the play will practice at 8:30 o'clock.

A Christmas show will be presented at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the Gephart school auditorium, with the primary children giving a play about Santa; and the intermediates on "Why the Chimes Rang."

The Cresaptown 4-H Girls will hold a Christmas party at 7 o'clock this evening at the home of Miss Helen Boar. When a special program and music will feature the entertainment. Chairmen are Miss Boar, Miss Shirley Chaney and Miss Jacqueline Breedlove.

The annual Christmas party of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company for employees and their families will be held at 7:30 o'clock this evening at the Central YMCA.

Wahaba Temple DOKK will meet at the home, Prospect square at 8 o'clock this evening.

A jingle party was held by the I. W. Club at the home of Miss Mary Cecelia Murray, Maryland avenue, last week. Cards featured the entertainment and prizes were won by Miss Margaret Lurhman and Miss Kathleen Swann.

The Hi Hat Club met at the home of Mrs. Ruth I. Mason, Linden street, last week and held a jingle party, gifts were exchanged and cards played, Mrs. Willard Harvey won the prize.

The Frances E. Willard Bible Class of Kingsley Methodist church will hold a Christmas party and turkey dinner this evening at 6 o'clock in the church basement.

Past Counselors Club, No. 100, Daughters of America, will hold its Christmas party Wednesday evening instead of Tuesday, as previously planned. The party will be held at the home of Mrs. Effie Weber, 37 Ridgeway avenue. The election of officers will be held and secret sisters revealed.

The Catherine Laboure Mission Unit, C.S.M.C., will hold a jingle party this evening at 8 o'clock in the Social Center, St. Patrick's, in honor of Rev. Alfred Hardesty, moderator of the unit.

University Women Plan Program for Next Year

February Meeting Will Be Open to Public; Other Activities Planned

Plans for the year's program of the local branch of the American Association of University Women were discussed at the meeting of the executive board Friday evening at the home of Mrs. W. Robert Teeter, LaVale, and it was decided to have the February meeting open to the public.

A special meeting of the executive board will be held at 8 o'clock January 6 at the home of Mrs. Robert H. Mayer, LaVale, at which time it will vote on the plans formulated at last week's meeting.

A guest speaker is planned for the meeting January 17, which will be held at the Girl Scout little house and will be followed by a social hour.

"Military Training and Education Today," will be the topic of a panel discussion at the meeting February 21, and will be under the direction of Miss Ellen Harvey of Frostburg. The program will also include a discussion of the Governor's program for the state education bill. The meeting will be open to the public.

Woman's Civic Club Will Hold Christmas Party

Luncheon To Be Held at Mrs. Daugherty's Home Thursday

The Woman's Civic Club will hold its annual Christmas meeting in the form of a covered dish luncheon at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. E. Daugherty, 531 Washington street.

A Christmas program, including vocal and instrumental music and readings will be presented under the chairmanship of Mrs. Frank Stuart Rowe.

Mrs. J. W. Holmes, chairman of the American Home Group will be in charge of the luncheon, and is being assisted by Mrs. Walter L. Pierce, Mrs. Courtney Kidwell and Mrs. Fred Keyser. Reservations and decorations are under the direction of Mrs. Allan C. Fisher, with Mrs. Howard Wood and Mrs. E. Emerson Loar comprising her committee.

LaVale Auxiliary Has Christmas Banquet And Installs Officers

The Ladies Auxiliary of the LaVale Volunteer Fire department held its fifth annual Christmas banquet and installation of officers, Saturday at the hall, at which time a check was presented to the firemen. The entertainment included group singing with Miss Mary Wiles at the piano and a jingle party.

Officers installed were Mrs. Edna German, president; Mrs. Edith Cessna, first vice president; Mrs. Hannah George, second vice president; Mrs. Florence Alexander, recording secretary; Mrs. Regina Wilson, financial secretary; Mrs. Sarah Ort, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth Durst, chaplain; Mrs. Margaret Hawkins, guard; Mrs. Emma Youngblood, Mrs. Lula Hughes, Mrs. Elizabeth Zembower, auditors; Mrs. Elizabeth Zembower, historian; Mrs. Leila Lancaster, reporter; and Mrs. Lotus Burke, escorting officer. Mrs. Thelma Beachley was in charge of the installation.

Flintstone Homemakers Elect New Officers

The Flintstone Homemakers Club elected Miss Pearl Wilson president at a meeting Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Blaine C. Robinette. Other officers are Mrs. Elsie Hill Roland, vice president; Mrs. L. L. Littlefield, secretary; and Mrs. William Perrin, treasurer.

A letter of appreciation for a donation towards the city hall honor roll was read, and plans were formulated for the next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Roland

A Christmas program was presented and included carols led by Mrs. Robinette; Mrs. Roland gave a history of the writing of "Away in a Manger;" vocal solos by Mrs. Frances Willison and Miss Delpha Bender and recitations by Mrs. Howard Willison, Miss Lena Twigg, Mrs. E. J. Roberts, Mrs. Roland, Mrs. R. J. Warlow, Miss Frances Willison, Mrs. Perrin and Mrs. Elaine Robinette. A quiz was also conducted by Mrs. Howard Willison and games were played. Miss Pearl Wilson was cohostess with Mrs. Robinette.

Personals

Dr. and Mrs. Robert W. Work, returned last evening to their home, 950 Braddock road, from a vacation in St. Petersburg Beach, Fla.

Dr. Myron L. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Simpson, 1112 Bedford road, a member of the faculty of Gettysburg college, Gettysburg, Pa., is spending his Christmas vacation at his parent's home here.

Miss Mary Canty, 117 North Allegany street, is a patient in the Allegany hospital.

The influx of students home for the holidays has begun and includes Eleanor Lee and Joan Tolson, from Oak Grove school, Vassalboro, Me., Miss Jane Seymour, Miss Marjorie Reinhard, Miss Lois Piper, Miss Elaine Hirsh and Miss Shirley Diedrich, all of Hood college, Frederick.

Yule Party Is Given By Young Adult Group

A Christmas party was held by the Young Adult Group of the Park Place Methodist church, under the leadership of Mrs. Lodis Faye Nazelrod Burke, last week at the LaVale firemen's hall, which was elaborately decorated in the traditional red and green of the Yule season. It was also repeated in the table decorations of red candles and poinsettias.

Mrs. Elsie Ross presided at the business session, at which time Mrs. Burke reported on the church publication, "Link" which the group monthly sends to the fifty boys from the church, who are in service. Of these she said seventeen are in this country and thirty-three are serving overseas. Plans were also made for the next meeting to be held January 10 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bowers.

Following the business session a ham supper was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the LaVale Firemen, and the Rev. Ward Kemp asked the grace.

Mrs. Lodis Burke conducted the entertainment program which included a recitation, "Christmas Comes Tomorrow," by Miss Beulah Bittner; a poem entitled, "The Humble Prayer", by Mrs. Burke; a musical recitation with Miss Margaret Moody reciting, "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," with Miss Mary Wiles at the piano, and also accompanying the group in the singing of Christmas carols. Santa Claus was portrayed by Russell Bittner, who greeted the guests and distributed the gifts. Twenty-three attended.

B. and O. Group Will Give Christmas Party

The Woman's Division of the Cooperative Traffic Program of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will hold its Christmas party at 8 o'clock this evening in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad YMCA auditorium.

Jingle gifts will be distributed by Santa Claus; CTP sisters will be revealed and new ones chosen for the coming year; and a special program including a medley of violin selections and vocal solos will be presented. The Christmas tree will center the elaborate decorations.

Mrs. Hanson Rice is chairman of the Refreshment committee; Mrs. D. O. Owens, chairman of the Decorations committee; and Mrs. Earl Conn and Mrs. George Barncord, co-chairmen of the Program committee.

Carol Singing Will Begin Tonight at Queen City Station

The carol singing at the Queen City station, under the sponsorship of the Men's Division of the Baltimore and Ohio Co-operative Traffic Program, will begin for the second year, this evening under the chairmanship of Mrs. Thomas C. Speake.

The Fort Hill a capella choir, with Miss Dorothy Sebree directing, will open this year's celebration, which will be held each evening from 8:15 to 9 o'clock from tonight, through Christmas eve.

Tonight's program will include an old Welsh air, "Deck the Halls;" Redner's "O Little Town of Bethlehem;" "The First Noel," with Stanford Zollner, James Hager, Elaine Partleton and Shirley Turner, as soloists; the traditional, "We Three Kings of Orient," with Stanford Zollner, William Sowers, William Foley and Edward Beall singing the solo parts.

Other numbers are the Tyrolean carol, "Mary's Lullaby," with Elaine Partleton singing the solo; Mendelssohn's "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," Adam's "O Holy Night," by Adam with Robert Crabtree and Donald Heller, soloists; and Handel's "Joy to the World," and Gruber's "Silent Night."

Stanford Zollner will sing a solo number, "A Chinese Christmas Carol," by Fan Tien-hsiang. Robert Heisey will be accompanist.

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THE MEAT SITUATION
DECEMBER, 1944
The meat supply for civilians has improved slightly this month; but, even so, you may not always be able to get the quantity, quality, kind and cut you desire.
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Nobody would change that, and military demands for meat are expected to continue heavy.
According to 1944 estimates based on U. S. Department of Agriculture figures, livestock producers and meat packers will have provided the all-time world's record total of more than 25 billion pounds of meat this year. (Compared with 18,412,000,000 pounds, 1934-1943 average.)
1944 1934-1943 AVERAGE
More than 30 per cent of the meat produced in 1944 has gone to our fighters and allies—most of it beef and pork.
The government requires the setting aside of 60 per cent of the top four grades of beef which meet Army style specifications.
The government is also taking 80 per cent of the extremely lean cuts of beef ordinarily used for sausage and canned meats, and anywhere from 37 to 78 per cent of the many popular cuts of pork.
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ELAS and British In Bitter Battle In South Athens

By STEPHEN BARBER

ATHENS, Dec. 18 (AP) — The battle between British forces and the Greek ELAS grew heavier this afternoon, moving southward in Athens towards Phaleron and the city's port, Pireaus.

British paratrooper, infantry and armored units which began their offensive south of the Acropolis at dawn this morning met stiffer ELAS resistance as the day wore on. It was a patrol job for the British and, for the most part successful. The patrols are spread over a wide area.

Capture 45 ELAS

A patrol this afternoon lost one man and took forty-five Elas prisoners who surrendered only after hard fighting. They held out for several hours until the paratroopers used their deadly Piat one-man anti-tank guns.

The British drive against the ELAS, fighting arm of the leftwing EAM party, has been described as an all-out effort to clear the armed leftists from the capital. Its first goal was to open the main highway between Athens Piraeus and Kalamaki airport.

The ELAS that I saw captured had dug themselves into a block of apartment buildings and fought back fiercely for several hours. Then one of the British paratroopers was killed and his angered companions brought up a Piat.

Is Powerful Weapon

A Piat will blow a hole like a seventy-five millimeter gun in the average apartment building. Six Piat shells terrified these ELAS snipers. Ten was wounded, four seriously. One of them was a Russian and another Italian. They had one officer.

Householders rushed out after the fighting to thank the paratroopers hysterically "for liberating us twice."

At RAF headquarters, rocket-firing Beaufighters helped the British defenders by strafing the ELAS gun positions. Wellingtons dropped supplies to the besieged garrison.

Beaufighters and Spitfires flew missions supporting the British drive to Piraeus.

Today's intensive drive followed increased fighting over the week-end after the British commander, Lt. Gen. Ronald M. Scobie, rejected EAM peace proposals because they did not provide immediate cessation of hostilities.

High military spokesmen reaffirmed the American position of strict neutrality today, stating that American activities in Athens were limited to relief and rehabilitation.

Members sat intently listening as the debate ran its world course. When Senator Johnson of California moved over to the Democratic side to talk, several gathered around him, standing. Others leaned forward, cupped their hands to hear.

Johnson Gives Views

Johnson said he wanted the Senate to adopt a simple resolution expressing "sympathy" with Greece. He wished, he said, he had the strength and the voice to talk of "men and women shot down like dogs, shot down with the weapons we have forged."

Such a resolution, he continued, would tell the Greeks that America is not anxious to see Britain's will done, or some other country's will done with a poor people.

Wheeler said that while he didn't like Archibald MacLeish, nominated for an assistant secretary, he believed he would vote for the full slate of six because he felt the president was entitled to the kind of advisers he wanted.

"I think MacLeish was an incompetent poet, that he is an incompetent librarian of Congress, that he was incompetent when running the office of Facts and Figures—and that he would be an incompetent assistant secretary," Wheeler said.

"However, if that's the kind of men the president wants, I am inclined to go along. . . ."

Soldier's Parents Both Found Dead

SPRINGFIELD, Pa., Dec. 18 (AP)—A telegram from Lt. Franklin Hitchcock, serving overseas in Italy, was delivered to his home here last night to wish his parents a Merry Christmas.

But no one signed for the telegram.

Police, who investigated after neighbors reported groceries had been left on the doorstep since Saturday, found Frank Hitchcock, 59, dead in an upstairs bedroom, the victim of a heart attack. His wife, Irene, was found dead in the kitchen where the gas was burning. Rags were stuffed under the door.

Police believed she took her own life after finding her husband dead.

Woman Accused Of Voting Twice

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 18 (AP) —A warrant accusing Mrs. Charles Lyon Chandler, wife of a government employe and former president of the Chester county league of women voters, of voting in the Nov. 7 election "when not properly qualified" was issued today.

District Attorney Joseph G. McKeone said Mrs. Chandler, a registered Democrat, voted twice.

Red Cross Workers Arrive in England

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 18 (AP) — The safe arrival in England of forty-nine American Red Cross workers, including three Marylanders, was announced today by Ramone S. Eaton, Red Cross eastern area manager.

The Marylanders are Edith Dove McHenry, of Baltimore, supervisor of staff welfare; Gertrude Teti, Baltimore, staff assistant, and Dorothy Anne Wheatley, Bethesda, staff assistant.

Arnold Wins Another

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18 (AP) — Billy Arnold, 18-year-old Philadelphia schoolboy still unbeaten as a professional fighter, was awarded a TKO decision over Johnny Jones, fifteen seconds before the end of the fourth round of the feature bout at the Met tonight.

British Clearing Out Burma Area

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, KANDY, CEYLON, Dec. 18 (AP) — British Fourteenth army troops, which now hold a line extending roughly from east to west between the Irrawaddy and Chindwin rivers in Upper Burma, have cleared out the last vestige of Japanese domination in a rugged jungle area containing 2,000 inhabited localities, an Allied communique said today.

Knifing across a 100-mile-wide belt of dense hill country east of the Upper Chindwin in the vicinity of Indaw, on the important Myitkyina-Mandalay railroad, British advance elements joined hands with units of the Royal Scots Fusiliers which had been pushing southward, thus consolidating Northern Burma's scattered fronts into a single line, the war bulletin declared.

Before the present line-up the Fifth Indian division, striking east from the Imphan valley, and the Eleventh East African division, pushing down the Kalewa valley, had established contact near Kalemyo, about 145 miles southwest of Indaw.

Newly-identified American infantry and artillery units, known as the "Mars Task Force", last were reported operating in the vicinity of Tomkwa, 120 miles north of Mandalay and some 100 miles southeast of Indaw. This force, under command of Brig. Gen. John P. Willey of Hampton, Va., is closer to Mandalay than any other Allied unit in Burma.

British Patrols Active in Italy

ROME, Dec. 18—(AP)—Patrols of the British Eighth army probed German defenses across the Senio river only five and a half miles from Imola today in preparation for a renewal of the Po valley offensive which slowly is rolling the enemy back along the ancient Via Emilia toward Bologna.

Striving to bolster their lines against the Allied attack, the Nazis threw several Italian Fascist units into action south of the highway and west of Faenza, road center which fell to New Zealand troops yesterday.

While New Zealanders mopped up the last enemy resistance in the northern outskirts of Faenza, the Canadian corps moved up for an assault on the strategic highway center of Bagnacavallo, some 10 miles north-northeast of Faenza.

Action subsided on the American Fifth army front below Bologna after several days' hard fighting, but the Nazis continued to shell certain sectors and laid down curtains of fire against Yank patrols trying to scout their positions.

Col. Robert McCormick Will Marry Thursday

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 (AP) — Mrs. Maryland Mathison Hooper of Chicago and Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, will be married Thursday in the apartment of the publisher's cousin, Chauncey McCormick, and Mrs. McCormick.

Plans for a quiet ceremony at which only the immediate families and a few close friends will be present were announced today by Chauncey McCormick. The group will include Colonel McCormick's cousins, Mrs. Eleanor Patterson of Washington, D. C., and Capt. Joseph M. Patterson and Mrs. Patterson of New York.

Mrs. Eleanor Patterson is publisher of the Washington Times-Herald and Capt. Patterson, the New York Daily News.

Colonel McCormick is a widower. His wife, Amy Irwin Adams McCormick, died in 1939. Mrs. Hooper recently was divorced from Henry Hooper, president of the Lake Shore Fuel Company of Chicago. Mrs. Hooper has two daughters, the Misses Alice and Anne Hooper.

Campus Kissing Case Remains Unsettled

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 18 (AP) —Dr. J. A. Thompson, director of the Latin-American division of Louisiana State University, said tonight that he did not believe W. B. Hatcher, LSU president, would change his decision in the case of the co-ed writer of a leaflet on campus kissing.

Thompson, speaking to approximately 150 members of Concilio, Latin-American student organization, said the Heller case had evolved into a test of the comparative "authorities" of the university president and the student body.

"I do not believe he (Hatcher) will change his decision," Thompson said, "and I would not have much respect for him if he did."

Hatcher's action in forcing the resignation from the school last week of Gloria Jeanne Heller, 18, of Havana, Cuba, led yesterday and today to widespread threats of student strikes, "appeals to Washington," and a series of student organization meetings scheduled to continue through tomorrow (Thursday).

E Bond Sales Will Reach Goal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—(AP)—Ted R. Gamble, war finance director, said today the series E bond goal of $2,500,000,000 in the Sixth War Loan "undoubtedly" will be exceeded when all the money is counted.

He said the sale of E bonds had reached $1,820,000,000 with "hundreds of millions of dollars yet to be tabulated." The bond drive ended Saturday but bond money deposited before Dec. 31 will count.

Gamble said $18,457,000,000 now is on deposit from the sale of all types of securities—nearly $4,500,000,000 above the $14,000,000,000 quota.

B. & O. Carloadings

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP) — A total of 61,244 carloads, including 34,583 loaded on line and 26,661 received from connections, were handled during the week ended Dec. 16, the Baltimore and Ohio railroad announced today.

Helen Ferguson Will Become Bride Of Joseph McKeown

The engagement of Cpl. Helen D. Ferguson, attached to the local WAC recruiting station, to Joseph L. McKeown, Bn. 2-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. McKeown, Fort Myers, Fla., has been announced by Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan F. Ferguson, RFD 5, Cumberland, parents of the bride.

The wedding ceremony will be performed Thursday at the home of the bride's parents, with Cpl. Dorothy J. Hildebrant, Buffalo, N. Y., also of the local staff, and Robert T. White, Bn. 3-c, attached to the USS Duchess, will be the attendants. Elder J. J. Poling of Belington, W. Va., will officiate.

Cpl. Ferguson is a graduate of Allegany high school, class of 1940 and was employed at the Celanese before her enlistment May 27, 1943. She trained at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and served at Tampa, Fla., before being transferred here.

Boatswain McKeown is a graduate of Fort Myers high school, class of 1939 and entered the service November 7, 1941. He served for five months in the South Pacific and is now at the naval hospital at Bethesda. After a brief wedding trip the bride will return to her post here.

Young Women's Group Elects Treasurer

The Waller-Miller Young Women's Group of the First Presbyterian church elected a treasurer and appointed chairmen at the meeting last evening at the home of Mrs. R. W. Harrison, MacDonald terrace. Mrs. Carl Lathrup was elected treasurer to replace Mrs. Eugene Rogers, who with her husband leaves for Texas January 21, where he will be employed in the Celanese new plant.

Mrs. Harrison was appointed Sunshine chairman and Mrs. Gilbert Miller program chairman. Mrs. Thomas Waller presided and Mrs. Allan Cook led the devotionals.

The guest speaker was Mrs. William A. Eisenberger, who spoke on "Peace and It's Relation to Christmas." It was followed by a discussion with Mrs. M. W. Duke, Mrs. C. E. Blair, Mrs. John Robb, Miss Margery White, Mrs. Howard Evans, Mrs. James Gear and Mrs. Worth D. Coble taking part.

Joseph Pledger Weds Elsie Juanita Cosner

The marriage of Wave Elsie Juanita Cosner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Cosner, Green Spring, W. Va., and Pharmacist Mate Joseph Wendel Pledger, USN of Livingston, Texas, has been announced.

The ceremony was performed November 4 in the parsonage of the First Methodist church with the Rev. George E. Baughman officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Stanley Cosner, and was attended by her sister, Miss Martha Cosner, another brother, French Cosner, served as Mate Pledger's best man.

The couple is residing in Boston.

Marriage Licenses

Licenses to marry were issued to fifteen couples yesterday and Saturday in the office of the clerk of circuit court. Eight were granted yesterday and seven Saturday. They were issued to:

Franklin Andrew Koontz, Route 4, Bedford, Pa., and Mildred Pearl Koontz, Bedford, Pa.

Narvel Gleson Weese, Maysville, W. Va., and Marie Juliette Nessleroate, Jordan Run, W. Va.

William Blaine Parker and Alyce Elizabeth Huey, Akron, Ohio.

Leslie James Ramsey, Clarksburg, W. Va., and Dorothy May Mullen, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Reese Arnold Everhart, Philadelphia, and Edith Beverly Slaven, Cumberland.

Christian Albert Meader and Betty Jean Hull, Scottdale, Pa.

Robert Hendricks Miller, Bedford, Pa., and Virginia Lorraine Beers, Fallen Timber, Pa.

Filmore Simpson, Franklin, W. Va., and Elsie Meadows, Circleville, W. Va.

Gordon Ralph Hipple and Helen Wagner Hull, Buffalo, N. Y.

Pharis Jerome Holifield, Sardinia, Ohio, and Blanche Elizabeth Schwinabart, Elk Garden, W. Va.

William Henry Brogden and Margaret Luella Hopfl, Altoona, Pa.

Harry Battilocchi, Youngstown, Pa., and Winifred Eleanore Stroup, Baltimore.

Alvin Cummins Davis and Violet Mae Keckley, Romney, W. Va.

George Ray Robinson, Everett, Pa., and Betty Jean Miller, Clearville, Pa.

William David Meek and Leah Imogene Mease, Cumberland.

27 Negro Soldiers Get Long Terms

SEATTLE, Dec. 18 (AP) — Prison sentences aggregating more than 200 years were given tonight to twenty-seven negro soldiers found guilty by a general court martial board of rioting against an Italian service unit at Fort Lawton last August 14.

Three of the defendants were found innocent of additional charges of murder in connection with the death of Pvt. Guglielmo Olivotto, whose body was found hanging in a nearby gully the morning after the riot.

Those cleared of murder charges, however, were convicted of rioting and their sentences were the heaviest assessed by the court martial board.

With the exception of a single defendant, the convicted men were sentenced also to dishonorable discharge and forfeiture of all pay and allowances in addition to the prison terms.

In addition to dishonorable discharge, loss of pay and confinement, the sentence carried reduction to the rank of private for all non-commissioned officers.

MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

Pfc. John R. Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Phillips, 211 East Main street, Frostburg, is now stationed at the Ontario, Calif., army air field, where he is an airplane mechanic. Before joining the air forces in April 1943, Pfc. Phillips was employed by the Land W. Esso Service Center in Frostburg. He has attended two army schools and is a graduate of Lincoln airplane mechanics school, Lincoln, Neb.; Allison engine school, Indianapolis, Ind., and the Lockheed P-38 factory, Burbank, Calif.

Pvt. George O. Sweitzer, husband of Mrs. Anna E. Sweitzer, Grant street, Frostburg, has received the Good Conduct Medal in recognition of faithful and exact performance of duty during the past twelve months, according to an announcement made by Col. S. E. Willard, commanding officer of the harbor defenses of Key West, Fla., where Pvt. Sweitzer is stationed.

Pvt. Clyde O. Bohrer, 26, husband of Mrs. Edna Bohrer, 710 Elm street, has returned to Fort George G. Meade after spending a ten-day furlough with his wife and children. Pvt. Bohrer recently completed his basic training in the infantry at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Staff Sgt. Robert E. Meredith, husband of Mrs. Alice E. Meredith, 325 Williams street, has arrived in England, according to word received yesterday by his wife.

Police and Firemen's Welfare Association Nominates Officers

Members of the Cumberland Police and Firemen's Welfare Association yesterday nominated twenty-three candidates for seven offices to be filled at the annual election to be held either the second or third Monday in January.

Three candidates were nominated for president, two for vice president, three for treasurer and fourteen for the three trustee posts. R. Emmett Flynn was nominated without opposition for re-election as secretary.

Other candidates include Charles C. McKearn, Fred O. Daum and Austin L. Warnick, president; John Brennan and Daum, vice president; Vincent Wegman, B. Frank Gaffney and Edwin Lilya, treasurer; John J. Trieber, James Brown, John Snyder, Roscoe Nuse, Ernest M. Powell, William Valentine, John H. Newhouse, Walter Jenkins, Vernon Graves, R. Paul Reid, O. D. Proudfoot, L. H. Miller, Robert Long and John Brennan.

Daum is the incumbent president.

Williams Brothers To Be Tried Today

Esty Williams, 223 Baltimore avenue, and his brother, Robert Williams, 505 Baltimore avenue, will be tried in trial magistrates court at 10 o'clock this morning on charges of drunk and disorderly conduct, state police said last night. They added that the brothers created a disturbance at a roadside inn the latter part of last week.

Robert Williams was arrested at 1:50 a. m. Sunday by Lt. James E. Van and Detective Edwin Lilya, and his brother was arrested by Officer Frank Shober at 9:30 a. m. yesterday. They were released on bond of $100 each by Magistrate Frank A. Perdew yesterday for the hearings today, police said.

Cigarets Are Stolen

Three cases of Camel cigarets were stolen from a B. and O. freight train several days ago en route between Cumberland and Piedmont, W. Va., railroad authorities reported to city police yesterday morning.

The cigarets, totaling 36,000, were part of a miscellaneous shipment in a box car. Somewhere on the route between here and Piedmont the car was entered and the cigarets dropped off, police said. The value of the stolen shipment is $245.16.

Because the shipment was in interstate commerce, the Federal Bureau of Investigation may be called to assist railroad and county authorities in the case.

Divorce Granted

An absolute divorce from Homer C. Kendrick was granted Mrs. Albie Kendrick in a decree signed yesterday in mircuit court by Chief Judge Walter C. Capper. Kendrick was ordered to pay Mrs. Kendrick $30 monthly for eighteen months in settlement of her claim for alimony. He also was ordered to pay costs of the proceedings. Morris Baron represented Mrs. Kendrick and Edward J. Ryan was attorney for the defendant.

Two Births Reported

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Batdorf, 516 Cumberland street, announce the birth of a son last evening in Memorial hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, 7 Potomac street, yesterday morning in Allegany hospital.

Marine's Wife Is Beaten to Death

LANSDOWNE, Pa., Dec. 18 (AP)—A marine corps staff sergeant's wife, 32, was found beaten to death with a hammer in her gas-filled apartment today.

A neighbor, attracted by a child's cries, also found the couple's two-year-old daughter, semi-conscious from the fumes, in her crib. Gas was escaping from the kitchen stove.

The husband and father, S-Sgt. Oren E. Cleveland, 38, had obtained a seventy-two-hour pass Friday from the marine corps depot of supplies here, but the pass was extended for another seventy-two hours beginning today, according to Col. Jacob Lienhard, depot personnel officer.

The Clevelands moved here in September from Arlington, Va. Cleveland has been in the marine corps since 1928.

Dewey Concerned Over Future of Foreign Affairs

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Herbert Brownell, Jr., Republican national chairman, said today that Governor Thomas E. Dewey was "much concerned about critical developments in foreign affairs."

Brownell, who held a dinner conference last night with the defeated Republican presidential nominee, told a press conference that they discussed "the failure of the administration to exercise strong leadership in world affairs."

"There seems to be a tendency of the administration to talk about international co-operation but there is a failure to be ready to act in meeting these tremendous problems that are now facing us in world affairs," Brownell said, adding that the statement was his own and not Dewey's.

Brownell declined to say what specific problems he had in mind and said he had not decided whether he would continue as national chairman.

The national chairman just back from a month's vacation in Arizona, said he found in his cross-country trip that party leaders were agreed there must be an "aggressive party organization and an affirmative program of action" to prepare for the 1946 congressional election.

He said he would confer with members of the Senate and House and the national committee as the legislative calendar permitted. Asked if Dewey would attend the conferences, Brownell said, "oh some, undoubtedly."

Maj. Bong Shoots Down Plane No. 40

AT A LEYTE AIRBASE, PHILIPPINES, Dec. 18—(AP)—Maj. Richard I. Bong of Poplar, Wisc., America's top-ranking ace, ran his string of Japanese air victims to forty planes by bagging a fighter over Mindoro yesterday.

It was his second victory in a week for the Congressional medal of honor pilot.

Taking advantage of a break in the weather, Bong scurried up to the American beachhead on Mindoro. Soon he picked up a Japanese intruder, rode up on its tail and sent it down flaming.

Yanks Forced

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ments yet seen in the Saar indicated that the Germans were bringing up reinforcements to meet these threats.

These developments were dwarfed, however, by the momentous struggle raging on the First army front, where the Germans' own winter offensive had gouged out the greatest gains yet scored by the enemy against the Americans in Europe.

Germans Face Crisis

If the German counteroffensive succeeds even moderately, the end of the war may be delayed many months. A full-scale victory for Field Marshal Karl Rudolf Gerd von Rundstedt would give the Germans time to prepare fresh blows that would drag the war throughout 1945.

To one extent the German counteroffensive failed. It failed to force the First army to let up pressure on the crucial Roer river front, gateway to the Rhineland without whose heavy industry production the enemy could not long wage war.

While the First army fought to seal off the powerful offensive, the Ninth army jumped off in local line straightening operations and in advances of one to two miles took Wurm and Mullendorf and cleared Beeck, north of Geilenkirchen. Opposition was light and many pillboxes actually were unmanned.

A shortage of ammunition, frankly admitted by Gen. Eisenhower and President Roosevelt, and a shortage of manpower which a front dispatch said recently forced the drainage of new divisions to replace battlefront casualties, may be a decisive factor.

On this may hinge whether the German offensive can be broken before it effectively cripples Allied winter plans.

The Germans are abundantly supplied for this current drive.

Hitler at Front

(The London Daily Mail quoted captured Germans as saying Adolf Hitler visited the Roer front ten days ago to buck up morale, and told troops to hold on until Dec. 16 when he promised the Americans would be dealt a nasty surprise.)

All this weight undoubtedly was sprung from the rich Ruhr industrial region behind lines fed by the densest railway system in Europe.

The First army fought back savagely, hurling the full weight of its own armor against crack enemy panzer divisions which, a front dispatch said, had been specifically trained for this drive. Five enemy tanks were knocked out in one battle.

Associated Press Correspondent William F. Boni said the Germans were feeding in numerous attacks all along the front, probing for weak spots.

The character, quality and scope of the offensive came as a surprise. Observers who have returned from the front since the battle began said minor action had been expected, but few realized it was an all-out winter offensive until a number of American positions had been overrun and the Germans had bit deeply into Belgium.

Censorship permitted disclosure only that the drives were aimed at areas of Honsfeld, east of Malmedy, at the Luxembourg frontier town of Vianden, thirty-one miles south of Honsfeld, and had reached Echternach, thirteen miles southeast of Vianden.

Contest Looms Over Lupe's Will

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Dec. 18 (AP)—A battle over the probating of Lupe Velez's will appeared certain tonight after the late screen star's sister, Mrs. Josefina Anderson of San Antonio, Tex., said she had retained an attorney to represent her and "my whole family" in forthcoming court hearings.

"My family is very poor—someone has to fight for them," said Mrs. Anderson, one of two of Lupe's sisters unmentioned in the will, drawn by the actress before her suicide.

Miss Velez, four months pregnant, died of an overdose of sleeping tablets last Thursday, leaving a note naming Harold Ramond, young Austrian-born actor as the father of her unborn child.

The will bequeaths one-third of Lupe's estate, valued at about $175,000, to Mrs. Beulah Kinder, her secretary, and divides the rest into two trust funds, one for her mother, Mrs. Josefina Velez Y Villalobos, and the other for the children of a brother, Emigdio Villalobos Velez. The estate includes approximately $125,000 in personal property and $50,000 in real estate.

American Casualties In Europe 258,124

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Invasion operations in France, the Lowlands and the German border region cost the army ground forces casualties totaling 258,124 up to Dec. 1, the War department reported today.

The total included 44,143 killed, 189,118 wounded and 24,863 missing.

Air force casualties were not included in the report. Casualties reported in November amounted to 57,775 the department said, adding that this figure might include casualties from previous months.

New Snow Fall Covers Big Area

[By The Associated Press]

A heavy snowfall in the upper Ohio river valley area last (Monday) night piled up to three additional inches on snow remaining from last week's fall.

The storm, which touched West Virginia and Pennsylvania was expected to move up the east coast through Southern and Eastern Pennsylvania and Southeastern New York, federal weather forecasters in Chicago said.

Travel was reported hazardous over most of the affected area, and bus lines suspended operations.

The storm was said to be heaviest in the region of Elkins and Huntington, W. Va. Three additional inches of snow in both cities gave Elkins ten inches and Huntington four. Snow in Pittsburgh rose to eight inches after last night's two-inch fall.

In the North Central states, the Chicago Weather Bureau reported the beginnings of a sharp break in a cold snap which had sent temperatures Sunday night to nineteen below zero in Lone Rock, Wis., ten below in Madison, Wis., and eight below in Rockford, Ill. The weather bureau said temperatures are expected to reach twenty-six today and thirty-two tomorrow.

Bitter Debate

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stand him now, will then, as they did when he spoke last fall in the campaign."

Guffey Takes Floor

In a prepared address, Joseph F. Guffey, Pennsylvania Democrat, said the issue was human versus property rights. He asked if it wasn't true that the career of Joseph C. Grew, nominated for under secretary of state, has been "a constant example of the old-fashioned diplomacy when the flag followed the dollar?"

These attacks prompted Senator Owen Brewster (R-Me) to accuse Pepper and the others who are seeking to defeat the nominations of attempting to "crucify" Grew.

In the confusing exchange, witnessed by packed galleries, the Senate often seemed to lose sight of the issue before it—whether Grew should be confirmed.

Pepper and his opposition colleagues made it plain, however, that they intend to use delay as their chief weapon. They hope the Senate will get tired and quit, thus forcing recess appointments, submission of names to the new Congress.



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Desperate Nazis Stake Future on Counterattacks

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst

The blackout on place names imposed by both attackers and defenders obscures the progress of the new German counter offensive but its purpose seems quite clear.

Judged by the nature of the terrain involved, between the Roer and the Moselle, the timing of the counter stroke, the critical point reached in the twin Allied offensives which flank it and the amount of carefully conserved Nazi air, armor and first-line manpower thrown into it, the German counter maneuver can only be set down as an offensive-defensive, a delaying action.

Germany Desperate

The enemy apparently is staking his last military blue chips in a desperate gamble to bring the massive Allied winter offensive to a halt short of the Rhine.

For that strictly limited diversion purpose, the site of the Nazi counter attack seems well suited. Forest land, rugged heights, highland marsh areas and the lack of adequate east-west roads or rail lines render it unsuited to active winter operations.

It is a reasonable deduction that the initial dents the foe has managed to drive into the right wing of the American First army are due primarily to the facts that this inhospitable section was lightly held. From the headquarters of the Roer southeast of Aachen to the First and Third army junction point somewhere along the German-Luxembourg frontier northwest of Trier on the Moselle there has been nothing but patrol activity since American forces reached that area.

Allies Hold Upper Hand

To meet the German push, obviously not designed as a breakthrough attempt but only to force General Eisenhower to pull in reserves from both the northern and the southern fronts, the Allied commanders have far better communications available than those supporting the German attack. In view of that and of unquestionable Allied overwhelming numerical superiority, dominating air power and probable availability of armor and artillery wholly outmatching anything the foe can bring to bear, there seems no question but that the Nazi thrust can be and will be halted quickly.

If Allied forces absorb the shock without loss of the initiative on their own selected attack fronts, it would almost certainly compel a hasty Nazi retreat behind the Rhine along its whole length to escape annihilation. That is the factor that makes the German attack loom as a desperation move.



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Fur Coat Business Hit by High Tax

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP) — A slump in fur coat sales, ranging as much as eighty per cent below last year's figures, was reported today by Baltimore dealers, who placed the blame squarely on a twenty per cent federal excise tax which went into effect last April.

The slump was noticeable immediately after the excise tax went on, but at first the cause was variously analyzed as the warm weather, a heavy March buying spree, and worry of war workers about security of their incomes when the war news appeared very good.

But now it appears generally agreed it is the tax which has caused the downward business curve.

Cartels, Monopolies Attacked by Berge

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 18 (AP) — Wendell L. Berge, assistant attorney general, tonight attacked suggestions that cartels and monopolies be allowed to operate after the war under government regulation.

"Already we are beginning to hear arguments that cartels and monopolies must be preserved after the war," Berge, chief of the Justice department's anti-trust division, told the Kanawha County Democratic Women's Club.

"The history of cartels and monopolies proves that as a general proposition they cannot be effectively regulated unless you have a political organization that amounts to a dictatorship, and that, of course, is what the American people do not want and never would tolerate."

Jury Completed In Chaplin Case

By HOWARD HEYN

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18 (AP)—A jury of seven women and five men was chosen late today to hear the suit in which Joan Berry asks that Charlie Chaplin be named the father of her fourteen months' old daughter, Carol Ann.

Among the jurors, most of whom are middle-aged, are a retired navy man, the wife of a philatelist, a divorcee, the wife of a postal supervisor, a Beverly Hills property manager, a real estate broker, an interior decorator, the wife of a floor finisher and a retired Western Union employe.

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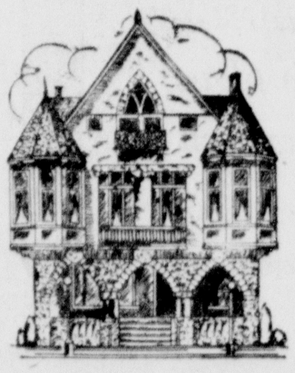
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Flintstone Man Wins Bronze Star

Pfc. Curtis Nash Tells of Experiences in New Guinea

Pfc. Curtis M. Nash, 37, has received a Bronze star for participation in action against the Japanese in the Pacific area, according to a recent letter to his wife, Mrs. Grace Nash, Flintstone.

Pfc. Nash, a graduate of Flintstone high school, was employed as a guard at the Kelly-Springfield Tire Company before he entered service. He has also been employed as a test car driver for the company and was a former Texaco gasoline truck driver.

After entering the army March 17, 1943, the Flintstone soldier trained at Camp Polk, La., and Camp Seibert, La., before going overseas May 1944.

The former Kelly worker, in a letter to friends here said:

"I am having quite an experience over here. When I first went into the army I thought they were going to make a 'Doc' out of me.

Takes Commando Training

"Then they decided I was too old for a combat unit so they were about to discharge me. My doc was discharged first so I was transferred to another outfit which put me through basic Commando training after I had gone through nine months of basic army training.

"Wading and crawling through the mud and water of Alaska I caught a very bad cold and almost had pneumonia.

"I was transferred to this outfit the evening before it pulled out for embarkation. As you can see from the address, I am in the chemical warfare service. We have quite a bit to do with flame throwers and smoke screening and the work is very interesting.

"The bats here, which are called flying foxes, have a three-foot wing spread. We have been trapping wild hogs just for the sport of it and have also seen several kangaroos and monkeys. We occasionally see a few horses and mules left behind by the Japs.

Soldiers Plant Gardens

"We have quite a few nice gardens started in this area. I hope we do not have to move on and leave before they mature. We have no fresh vegetables at all as we had back in the states. Most of the foods are canned and we are getting used to dehydrated potatoes.

"The climate is about the same all the time here, except that the nights are cool for sleeping on these comfortable army cots without mattress, pillows or sheets. We do have a mattress cover and army blankets. It is far better than we thought it would be."

Pfc. Nash recently sent to his wife, Mrs. Grace Bennett Nash, a former Pennsylvania teacher now employed on the Kelly eight-inch shell line, three bracelets which he made in his spare time. The first is made from a plane wing and the others from sea shells and Australian coins.

He has one brother in service, Charles Nash, who has been a radio operator in the navy for over seventeen years.

Ground Forces Closed To WACs, Recruiter Says

No more enlistments in the ground forces of the WAC will be accepted, Sgt. Baker, local WAC recruiter, announced yesterday. The service and air forces are still accepting WAC enlistments, however.

Sgt. Baker will leave Thursday for Idaho Springs, Colo., where she will spend a fifteen-day furlough with her husband, Maurice E. Baker. She will return to the local recruiting station January 3.

Maryland Goes Over Top in Bond Sales

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 18 (AP)—Officials of the Fifth Federal Reserve district headquarters in Richmond announced today that Marylanders oversubscribed their Sixth War Loan quota by sixty-eight per cent, with bond sales aggregating $353,000,000 Saturday.

The state also exceeded its quota for individual sales with a total of $114,800,000, or 108 per cent of the quota.

However, the sale of "E" bonds still lagged. Sales through Saturday totaled $23,300,000, or fifty-seven per cent of quota. Bond sales of this variety will be credited to the state's campaign totals through the remainder of December.

The Yellow River in China is dubbed "China's Sorrow" because of the many floods it has loosed on the rich adjacent farmlands.

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Some Draft Registrants Will Be Reclassified

All occupationally deferred draft registrants who left their jobs after December 12 without obtaining a determination from their draft boards that it was "in the best interests of the war effort" for them to leave their employment will be reclassified immediately into a class available for military service, local board officials announced yesterday.

According to a memorandum received by the four local draft boards yesterday from state Selective Service headquarters, the new regulation applies particularly to registrants between the ages of 26 and 37.

Before leaving his job, every draft registrant must obtain a determination from his local board, and must present a referral card from the War Manpower Commission, draft officials said. The referral card will be considered along with other information as to the necessity for leaving a job, it was stated.

Local boards are examining deferments granted to men in 2-A and 2-B draft classifications, in preparation for future induction calls which will require a larger pool of 1-A registrants, officials said.

Local Youth To Leave For Navy Service

Benjamin Franklin Elkins, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest D. Elkins, 31 Hawthorne avenue, will leave for Baltimore tomorrow, where he will take his final physical examination prior to entering the navy, according to Chief Petty Officer Walter B. Warmee, in charge of navy recruiting here.

The youth, a graduate of Allegany high school, will report to the local navy recruiting station at 10 a. m. tomorrow for final instructions before leaving for Baltimore, Chief Warmee said.

Wholesale Price Stated For Canned Cranberries

Wholesale grocers have been notified that the wholesale price of cranberries in cans has been set at $2.40 for a dozen No. 303 cans, according to an OPA announcement yesterday. Each can requires 40 ration points.

Because wholesalers did not know what price to charge retail grocers pending a clarification of the OPA's wholesale price, there has been a critical shortage of canned cranberries for the past few weeks, it was explained.

Club Names the Best And Least Liked Stars

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 18 (AP) — Nominations were announced today for the Hollywood personalities best and least liked by the Hollywood Women's Press Club.

Darlings of the women writers are Maria Montez, Betty Hutton, Lucille Ball, Humphrey Bogart, Alan Ladd and Gregory Peck. They are eligible for the club's "Golden Apple" award.

Named in the "unco-op" or "brush-off" category are Sonja Henie, Veronica Lake, Betty Grable, Lana Turner, Fred MacMurray, Errol Flynn and Walter Pidgeon.

Presentation of awards will be tomorrow.

Steel Freight Cars Used To Carry Mail

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP) — Special steel freight cars are being pressed into service as substitutes for baggage cars in handling heavy volumes of Christmas mail and express, Baltimore and Ohio railroad officials disclosed today.

Some of these cars have been assembled into trains and operated on passenger train schedules. Burlap bags have been used to compensate for a shortage of canvas mail bags.

The B. and O. explained that regulation baggage cars were particularly scarce because of heavy government requisitioning for troop movements.

Canada has given over two billion dollars' worth of mutual aid to Britain, Russia, China and others of her allies.

State Guard Units Here Maintain Strength; Get Additional Equipment

Companies C and D of Cumberland, are the only units of the Eighth Battalion, Maryland State Guard, to maintain serength of fifty-five or more men throughout 1944, it was revealed by Gen. Dwight H. Mohr at a dinner meeting held last weekend for state officers in the Fifth Regiment armory, Baltimore.

As a result of their records each company will be allowed equipment for seven additional men.

New collar ornaments consisting of a gold "U. S." and black "Md." were issued to the four officers of each local company. These ornaments will replace the old Maryland insignia.

Governor O'Conor and Gen. Mohr addressed the officers.

Capts. Thomas F. Conlon and W. O. McLane and Lts. Lester Bolinger, Robert C. Bowers and Daniel McKay attended the dinner.

Maryland Schools May Teach Flying

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP)—Expansion of aviation education in Maryland public school system to include all, or nearly all, high schools, was advanced today as a major postwar plan of the Maryland Aviation commission.

The new commission director, William McK. Reber, said discussions to this end already were under way with A. J. Rosenberg, educational adviser to the State Department of Education. Aviation courses now are taught only in Baltimore city high schools.

"Aviation is going to be a big thing in postwar America," Reber said, "and there is no good reason why Maryland shouldn't be in the forefront among the thirty-eight states in aeronautical matters."

Bifocals — with one portion a higher power than the remainder, are said to have been first made for Benjamin Franklin about 1760.

Baltimore Symphony Orchestra To Tour

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP) — The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra will go an extended tour this season for the first time in its 28-year history, officials announced today, with a solid week's bookings in Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia.

The tour will be preceded by concerts at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis and Constitution Hall in Washington. At the latter Jascha Reifetz, famed violinist, will be guest soloist.

The only previous concerts the organization ever played outside Baltimore were at Fort George G. Meade and the Bainbridge naval training center. The regular conductor, Reginald Stewart, will be on the podium throughout.

The scheduled dates are: Feb. 11, navcal academy; Feb. 13, Washington; Feb. 19, Danville, Va.; Feb. 20, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.; Feb. 21, Augusta, Ga.; Feb. 22, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C.; Feb. 23, Newport News, Va.

Baltimore Murder Suspect Caught

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP)—The arrest today in Florida of a Baltimore negro sought since last March for the fatal bludgeoning of three other negroes after he lost money in a card game was announced by Special Agent John W. Vincent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Vincent, in charge of the Baltimore FBI office, said agents arrested Luther McClam, 28, at Lake Harbor, Fla., and that McClam admitted the assault although denying knowledge any of the men had died.

McClam was taken to West Palm Beach, Fla., to be held pending removal to Baltimore for prosecution on a murder charge, Vincent reported.

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SEA SHELL QUEEN



ATTRACTIVE ARDIS SHEFFEY has been selected "Sea Shell Queen" by returned combat fliers at the Don Ce-Sar convalescent center in St. Petersburg, Fla.

$8,932,399.71 Surplus For State Treasury

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 18—(AP)—A surplus of $8,932,399.71 will be in the state treasury at the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 1945, State Comptroller J. Millard Tawes estimated today.

In Tawes's report on the financial status of the state during November he stated that on November 30 this year cash on hand amounted to $29,482,947.98; while on the corresponding date in 1943 it was $25,448,101.07.

The bonded debt as of Nov. 30 was $27,150,000, while at the end of the last fiscal year it was $29,468,000, he reported.

Of the $67,375,915 appropriated for the current fiscal year, $20,801,144 was expended and the balance on November 30 totaled $46,574,770.97.

Receipts during the last month amounted to $9,836,389.51 and disbursements to $9,136,018.74.

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Two Christmas Programs Will Be Given Wednesday

Will Feature Holiday Closing at Beall Elementary

By RUDOLPH NICKEL

FROSTBURG, Dec. 18 — Two Christmas programs will feature the closing day of Beall elementary school Wednesday for the holiday recess. The first entertainment will be presented at 12:45 p. m., by the primary grades. The children, arranged on the stage in the form of a Christmas tree will sing the traditional Christams carols. Other numbers will include a pantomime poem, folk dancing, choral speaking poems, stocking exercise and three one act dramas, "The Runaway Christamas," "The Heart of Gold" and "Baby Bears' Christmas."

The second program will be presented by the fifth and sixth grades and will commence at 2 p. m., in the school auditorium. It is to be a production, titled "A Nativity Pageant," with the following cast of characters: "Mary," Beulah Skidmore; "Joseph," Thomas Dickey; "Wise Men," Glenn Workman, Robert Grimes, and Donald Chidester; pilgrims, Dorothy Murphy, Joann Skidmore, Wanda Crowe, Lois Evans and Florence McKnight.

Watchmen, Donald Geary and Harry Lennox; shepherds, Orville Steele, Scottie Robertson, Billy Weeks, Donald Festerman, Jimmy Smith and Robert Lancaster; angels, Nancy Tennant, Dorothy Hansel, Delores Howsare, Velma Dudek, Larna Cutter and Beatrice Smith; readers, Sherlda Sipple and Margaret Llewellyn.

A chorus of fifty children, wearing robes, will sing Christmas carols. Parents and friends are asked to attend both entertainments.

W. S. C. S. Plans Dinner

The Christmas dinner for the W. S. C. S., of Allegany Methodist church will be held Wednesday, 6:30 p. m., in Zihlman community hall. Secret sisters will be disclosed and gifts exchanged. Mrs. Earl Kroll, Mrs. John Sween, Mrs. Agatha Stevens and Mrs. Eleanor Hopkins are in charge of arrangements. A brief business session will follow.

Officers for the ensuing year are as follows: Mrs. J. Stanley Espy, president; Mrs. John Conrad, vice president; Mrs. Ellen Geary, secretary; and Mrs. Ann Stevens, treasurer. Health lectures will be resumed in January for the coming year, the first speaker being Dr. Winter R. Frantz, health officer for Allegany county. The society sponsors the Zihlman health clinic.

Elks Plan for Holidays

The entertainment and social session committees of Frostburg Lodge No. 470 B.P.O. Elks have announced completion of plans for social activities of the lodge during the holiday season.

An eggnog party will be held Christmas day and on New Year's eve the celebration will be highlighted by a dance in the club rooms, beginning at 12:01 a. m. Monday Jan. 1. Music will be by the Peck Mills Trio. The dance will be for members of the lodge and their out of town guests. A buffett luncheon will be served. Festivities are scheduled to get under way several hours before dancing begins, and a large crowd is expected.

Will Attend Confernce

The first conference of the faculties of the three State Teacher colleges of Maryland for white pupils will be held at Towson, Md., commencing with a dinner meeting tomorrow evening. The theme will be "Teacher Education." The entire faculty of the Frostburg State Teachers college will leave here Tuesday, 11:30 a. m., to participate. Dr. Charles E. Prall, dean of the school of education, University of Pittsburgh, will be the speaker at the Tuesday evening dinner meeting.

Wednesday and Thursday will be devoted to general and group meetings. The conference will summarize the work of the Commission on Teacher Education which was carried from 1939 to 1942 throughout the nation.

Prof. and Mrs. Maurice Matteson, this city, will entertain at a tea to be given Wednesday afternoon. They will present a program of folk music.

Frostburg Briefs

The Pioneer club of the Welsh Baptist Memorial church will hold its Christmas party Friday, 8 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Margaret Scott, South Barnard street. Secret sisters will be revealed with an exchange of gifts and new ones will be chosen for the ensuing year. The program will consist of carol singing, a reading, by Elizabeth Workman; duet, Mary and Sarah Jane Davis, reading, by Ann Thomas and a story by Margaret Walsh.

An athletic committee, appointed this evening by Chris Walbert, commander of Farrady Post, No. 24, American Legion, will hold a special meeting Friday evening at the Legion home to discuss baseball prospects for the coming year. The committee consists of Charles Cole, chairman; John Fay Anderson, Carl F. Mayer, Prof. A. G. Ramey, Olen Spiker, Frank T. Powers, William Shuck and Ellis Yates.

Mrs. Sophia P. Griffith will be hostess to members of the Van Dyke Bible class of the First Methodist church, for its Christmas party, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Sunday school room. A Christmas program will be presented and secret Class Sisters will be revealed by the exchange of gifts. New sisters will be chosen for the New Year.

The messages of seeing telegraphed on the optic nerve to the brain by the eye travel at a speed of more than 200 feet per second, according to the Better Vision Institute.

The English language has been renamed "Koango" in one Japanese Malayan area.

TAKE LEADING ROLES IN CHRISTMAS PLAY



FROSTBURG, Dec. 18 — Shown above are three girls who will play leading roles in "The Bethlehem Way," final pre-holiday event to be given at Beall high school Wednesday at 1:20 o'clock. The girls are (left to right), Mary Lou Grose, who will play "Helen"; Olwen McMorran, who portrays the "Spirit of Memory", and Maritime Karlowa, who plays "Mary".

Lt. Lurene Keplinger Is Serving In U. S. Army Hospital in England

Maysville, W. Va., Girl Is Doing Professional and Administrative Work

STATIONED ABROAD



LT. LURENE KEPLINGER

By MYRTLE PARK

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 18—Second Lt. Lurene Keplinger, of the army nurses corps, is performing both professional and administrative duties and is aiding the recovery of casualties from European battlefields at a United States Army General hospital in England, according to information received from the War department. In addition to administering care in a cardiology ward, Lt. Keplinger gives special treatments to her patients and supervises the maintenance of their medical records.

Lt. Keplinger, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Keplinger, Maysville, is a graduate of Petersburg high school, in the class of 1940 and is also a graduate of Rockingham Memorial Nursing school at Harrisonburg, Va. She entered the army nurses corps in November 1943 and served at Fort George G. Meade and Ft. Eustis, Va., before going overseas in May 1944.

Lt. Keplinger recently wrote her mother that she had visited Scotland and other places of interest in Europe. In a recent broadcast she appeared on a program with a schoolmate, Second Lt. Zetta Wimer Garrney, who is serving in a hospital in England.

Lt. John Sollers, who was wounded in England several weeks ago, was a patient in Lt. Keplinger's ward a patient days before being transported by plan to the Woodrow Wilson hospital at Staunton, Va.

Lt. Keplinger's father, Oscar Keplinger, served overseas in World War I. Mrs. Ellsworth Feaster, Cumberland, RFD 3, is a sister of Lt. Keplinger.

Personals

C. H. Park and son have returned from Chicago where they spent a week visiting Mr. Park's brother, Karl Park and family.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Morrow, Jr. and son, returned Saturday from Cumberland.

Mrs. Ray Smith and son moved from Inkerman yesterday to Park Inn where they will reside while Mr. Smith is stationed in the army at Camp Meade, Md.

Police Recover Stolen Automobile

By HELEN COLLETT

PARSONS, W. Va., Dec. 18 — A car belonging to David Price, Parsons, was recovered by the state police, Sgt. C. A. Marshall, Thomas, and Sheriff Fred Long, Parsons, Friday. A. Smith Hockman, deputy sheriff, stated that the car was stolen three weeks ago from in front of the Parsons theater.

The car had been driven approximately 15,000 miles in the three weeks that it was reported missing. When found it was parked in the rear of the Duncan funeral home, Thomas.

To Accept Position

Miss Eloise Painter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odes Painter, Parsons, will return from Washington, where she has been employed for the past eighteen months to Parsons January 1, where she has accepted a position as secretary to County Agent A. L. Kidd. Miss Painter is a former stenographer for the draft board office of Parsons until she resigned two years ago.

Personals

Mrs. Harry Arnold, the former Arlene Hebb, secretary to Kidd for the past ten years resigned this week to join her husband, Lt. H. F. Arnold, who is stationed in Atlantic City, N. J.

Sgt. and Mrs. Ray L. Vest and son, Roger Dale, San Angelo, Texas, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Vest, Bretz, this week. Sgt. Vest has been recently awarded the Good Conduct Medal, the Driver's Medal, and the Marksman Medal for rifle and carbine.

Mrs. Maude Schoonover Freize, Parsons, has received word that her husband, Charles M. Freize has been promoted from the rank of lieutenant (sg) to the rank of lieutenant commander. He is on the admiral's staff and is with the Atlantic fleet in Bermuda.

Pvt. and Mrs. Woodrow Warner of Parsons announce the birth of a son, weighing seven pounds and ten ounces, in the Tucker county hospital, Parsons, December 18. The father is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

Pvt. and Mrs. Everett Trippett, Hendricks, announce the birth of a son in the Tucker county hospital, December 16. The father is stationed with the marine corps, Camp Lejuene, N. C.

Cpl. Roy Miller Killed in Action

One tri-state serviceman has been killed and seven others have been wounded in action, according to yesterday's war casualty report.

Cpl. Roy W. Miller, son of Mrs. Mary Miller, RFD 1, Rockwood, Pa., was killed in France November 25. At the time of his death Cpl. Miller was serving with an infantry outfit.

Pvt. Harry W. Schrock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Meyers L Schrock, Somerset, Pa., was wounded in action in Germany December 1. Pvt. Schrock, who went overseas last September, is serving with Lt. Gen. Patton's Third army.

Pfc. Alonzo W. Broadwater, husband of Mrs. Betty E. Broadwater, Grantsville, was wounded in France July 10. Now hospitalized in England, Pfc. Broadwater has sent his wife his Purple Heart decoration.

Cpl. Joseph C. Buckel, son of Mrs. Ruth M. Buckel, Bittinger, was wounded in action on an undisclosed battle front.

Pvt. Mare Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Brown, Rockwood, Pa., was wounded in France at an undisclosed date.

Another Rockwood serviceman, Pvt. Perry Lowery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Lowery, was wounded in Holland November 23.

Pvt. Donald Snyder, Rockwood, Pa., and Pfc. Leo S. Hinebaugh, Somerset, Pa., have been wounded in action on undisclosed battle fronts.

Shortage of Nurses Partly Relieved

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (AP)—The acute shortage of nurses which has beset virtually all hospitals for the last couple of years has been relieved enough at the Fort Howard Veterans Administration hospital to allow capacity operation.

Dr. W. L. Fleck, hospital manager and chief surgeon, said today it was planned to open the entire building to patients early next month, but that eleven additional nurses would have to be recruited before that time. He said he thought they could be obtained from private nursing schools or through the civil service commission.

An old building at the post is being remodeled to take care of about 116 additional patients by March 1. The main hospital unit has a capacity of 364. There are now 258 veterans there, sixteen critically and twenty-two seriously ill.

Maryland veterans of this and the last war who are certified by the Veterans Administration for general hospitalization are setn to Fort Howard. Dr. Fleek said he expected facilities to be taxed to capacity for many years to come.

Sgt. Pete Sedmock, Jr., Is Missing in Action

THOMAS, W. Va., Dec. 18—Sgt. Pete Sedmock, Jr., 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sedmock, Thomas, has been missing in action in an undisclosed theater of war since November 19, according to a War department telegram to his parents.

A graduate of Thomas high school, Sgt. Sedmock was employed by the Davis Coal and Coke Company before entering the service August 23, 1942. He received training at Camp Campbell, Ky., and Fort George G. Meade before going overseas with the infantry last September 8.

A brother, Pfc. Lewis Sedmock, is stationed in the Panama canal zone.

Miss Carbacio Is Wed to Sgt. Aures

By LUKE McDOWELL

KEYSER, W. Va., Dec. 18 — Miss Theresa Carbacio and Staff-Sgt. Leo. J. Aures were married Sunday in the Church of the Assumption. The Rev. Father Veger read the marriage rites.

Mrs. Aures is the daughter of Mrs. Joseph Carbacio, 302 Wech street, Keyser. She is a graduate of Keyser high school and attended Potomac State college. She is employed at the Newton D. Baker hospital, Martinsburg. Sgt. Aures is the son of John Aures, Receda, Cal., and graduated from Xavier college, Cincinnati. He is now stationed at the Newton D. Baker hospital.

The couple will make a tour of eastern cities before returning to Martinsburg, where they will reside.

Services Held

Funeral services for William B. Adams, who died Thursday, were held at his home, 40 Sharpless street at 2:30 Sunday. The Rev. H. S. Myerly, pastor Grace Methodist church, officiated. Interment was in Queens Point cemetery.

The honorary escort were Cecil Metcalf, Arnold Ludwick, Charles Ludwick, William A. Murray, Charles Moon, Guy Adams, James R. Kuykendall, George O. Boatman and Ervin L. Dayton. Pallbearers were M. A. Tyler, James H. Morris, John S. Horner, W. Byron Kesner, Arthur Slocum and Glenn Kight.

Brief Items

Dr. Fred B. Wyand, Romney, preached at the morning service in First Methodist Church, Sunday. The Girls' chorus of the Keyser high school sang at the evening service. The chorus was directed by Miss Mary Douthat. Mrs. J. E. Prettyman was accompanist. Miss Louise Dawson gave a xylophone number, "White Christmas."

Personals

Lt. (j.g.) Hartsel McCue and his wife are spending several weeks with his mother Mrs. Eva McCue. Lt. McCue recently returned from the South Pacific war zone where he was in active duty for several months. At the end of his leave he will go to Jacksonville, Fla., for further assignment.

Technical-Sgt. Leonard Tasker who spent a twenty-one-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Tasker, will return to his post in Richmond, Va., Tuesday. Sgt. Tasker served three years with the army signal corps in India. He will receive a new assignment soon after returning to his post.

Technical-Sgt. Warren High and Mrs. High, who spent several days with their parents and friends in Keyser, left Sunday for Columbia, S. C., where Sgt. High is stationed with the army.

Clyde Bonar, Burlington, president of the West Virginia Farm Bureau, Mrs. J. Oliver Bane of Burlington, president of Mineral county farm Women's Club, and Leonard Sites of New Creek, member Mineral county Farm Bureau, have returned from New York where they represented West Virginia and Mineral county at the annual meeting of the National Farm Bureau Federation.

A fifty per cent expansion in the circulation of $100 bills in 1943 was attributed by some authorities to black market operations.

BATTLEWAGON PINUP



THIS FIVE-MONTH-OLD BLUE-EYED BABY, Harolyn Cheryl Meyer, of Newark, N. J., was chosen by seamen of the 45,000-ton U.S.S. Navy Jersey as their pinup girl. She is shown looking at a picture of her father, Lt. Harold C. Meyer, a prisoner in Germany.

Sgt. Broadwater Killed in Action On Leyte Island

Dan's Mountain Man Was Overseas This Time Last Year

By MARIE MERRBACH

LONACONING, Dec. 18 Technical Sgt. Porter W. Broadwater, 32, son of Arthur and Carrie Simpson Broadwater, Dan's mountain, was killed in action November 20 on Leyte, Philippine islands.

Sgt. Broadwater entered the service September 26, 1942, and received his training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and Camp Breckinridge, Ky. He was home on furlough July, 1943, and was "on his way" at Christmastime last year.

He was stationed in New Guinea before he went into action on Leyte. The last letter received from him by his parents was written on November 17. Before entering the service, Sgt. Broadwater worked in the coal mines.

His brother, Yeoman Third Class Ray Broadwater, is serving in the Atlantic on a landing-ship-tank. He is also a brother to Mrs. Lola Fairgrieve, Potomac Park, and Owen Broadwater, High street, Lonaconing.

His brother-in-law, T-5 Lee Fairgrieve, is serving in France.

Receive Boxes

One hundred and thirty-three gift boxes have been received by the American Legion in the campaign for the "Gifts to the Yanks Who Gave", Each box contains articles requested by GI Joe and GI Jane and are valued at $3 each. The boxes will be sent Tuesday to the American Legion headquarters in the War Memorial building, Baltimore.

James P. Love Post No. 92, American Legion, wishes to thank those who made contributions to this worthy cause. The project, sponsored by the post, was turned over to the American Legion auxiliary.

The committee in charge of the campaign included Mrs. William H. Rankin, chairman, Mrs. Caldwell Matthews, Mrs. John Gowans, Mrs. Albert Stevenson and Mrs. Katherine Meyers.

The American Legion post will hold its meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p. m., in the legion club room. The auxiliary unit will hold their Christmas party Wednesday, December 27.

James Lyden Dies

James Lyden, 42, husband of Mrs. Viola Kerr Lyden, Allegany street, died suddenly at 5 p. m. today of a heart attack. An employe at the Celanese plant, Mr. Lyden worked on the day shift today and drove some neighbors home from the plant. He was stricken as he was about to enter his home.

A native of Lonaconing, Mr. Lyden was the son of Mrs. Margaret Lashbaugh Lyden, Robbins street, and the late Michael Lyden, who died early this year.

Besides his widow, Mr. Lyden is survived by one son, Dale, 15, and one daughter, Glenna, 12. Both children are members of the Lonaconing band. Other survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Martin, Mrs. Anna Mary Lemons, and Mrs. Margaret Wiland, all of Lonaconing.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Child Dies

Marvin House, 5-year-old son of John and Catherine Green House, Gilmore, died Sunday at the home following an illness of two months.

Besides his parents, the child is survived by two brothers, William, in the army in California, and Donald, and four sisters, Betty, Pauline, Wilma and Beverly.

Funeral services are arranged for Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Assembly of God church with the Rev. Albert R. Ark, pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Oak Hill cemetery, Lonaconing.

O'Mahoney Opposes Livestock Ceilings

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Establishing price ceilings on live animals in an effort to relieve a current meat shortage will only confuse thes ituation, Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo) declared today.

O'Mahoney's comment to reporters was spurred by the New York city's meat holiday and the visit of Mayor LaGuardia today in connection with the situation there.

Rep. Sundstrom (R-NJ) in an interview criticized the Office of Price Administration for delay in formulating price problems, Sundstrom said, was caused by the fact that OPA, when it established ceilings in 1942, took as a base the comparatively low consumption period of lent. The result is that, of all farm commodities available to the public, meats constitute the best barbain.

U. S. Magazine Now Circulating in Russia

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, Dec. 18 (AP) — "Amerika", a new magazine in the Russian language designed to acquaint the Soviet people with the United States went on sale today.

Ten thousand copies of the monthly publication produced by the United States Office of War Information were turned over to the Soviet book agency for sale at three rubles per copy. The agency will keep twenty-five per cent of the gross sale for the cost of distribution. The rest of the money will be deposited in the Moscow account at the American embassy.

The magazine, prepared, translated and printed by the New York office of the OWI, now is sent to Moscow for approval before publication, but the United States agency hopes to have a considerable amount of the translation done in Moscow in the future.

"Amerika" is the first United States effort to circulate propaganda in the Soviet Union.

Wittlich, a German city west of the Rhine, north of Trier, is pronounced VEET-leek.

Mrs. Ollie Schell Dies in Memorial Hospital Here

Services for Piedmont Resident Will Be Held Wednesday

By GEORGE W. DADDYSMAN

WESTERNPORT, Dec. 18—Mrs. Ollie F. Schell, 70, wife of Ernest Schell, 101 Cromer street, died this morning in Memorial hospital, Cumberland, where she underwent an operation a week ago.

Mrs. Schell was the daughter of the late Henry and Margaret Cross, Bloomington. She was a member of Calanthe Temple No. 8, Pythian Sisters, and belonged to the Mt. Calvary Lutheran church.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Schell is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Robert Lippert, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. David C. Price, Frostburg. One sister, Mrs. Calvin Simpson, Tunnelton, W. Va., and one brother, James Cross, Cumberland, also survive.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the residence. The Rev. C. K. Spiggle, pastor of the Mt. Calvary Lutheran church, will officiate. Interment will be in Philos cemetery.

Lt. Watters Missing

Lt. Henry Clay Watters, 25, son of Mrs. Beulah T. Watters, a dietician at the Kernan hospital, Baltimore, and grandson of Mrs. H. C. Thrush, East Hampshire street, Piedmont, W. Va., is missing in action on Sapian island in the South Pacific, according to word recently received by his mother.

Lt. Watters, pilot of a B-29 Superfortress, enlisted at Elkins, W. Va., December 31, 1941. He received his wings and commission at Ellington field, Tex., June 26, 1943. A native of Piedmont, Lt. Watters was graduated from a military academy at Fort Defiance, Va., in August, 1940. Prior to entering the service he was manager of the men's department of the Montgomery Ward store at Elkins.

Eagles Hold Meeting

A meeting of the Fraternal Order of Eagles was held at 3 p. m. yesterday at the Aerie home, 46 Jones street, Piedmont, with 100 members present.

Four new team captains named at the meeting were Harley Seaman, Clarence Grady, Homer Knotts and Dorsey Carroll. Robert R. Ritchie, who acted as master of ceremonies, gave a talk on the Eagles' memorial foundation fund. Edward Greenhorn gave a brief address, and benediction was pronounced by Nelson Humes.

Among the officers attending were Ritchie, Greenhorn, Harry McGowan, W. C. Price, James W. Howard, Robert Dawson, E. W. Umstot, P. H. Graham, Michael Botamino, Larry Andina and Harley Seaman.

Capt. Bess To Resume Practice

Capt. Robert W. Bess, East Hampshire street, Piedmont, W. Va., who has been placed on the inactive list after serving with the medical corps in the South Pacific area, will resume practice in Piedmont at the residence of Mrs. Z. T. Kalbaugh, Ashfield street.

Capt. Bess will also resume work as physician at the Luke plant of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company. After returning to this country last June, he was stationed at Camp Detrick, Frederick.

To Present Cantata

A Christmas cantata, "The Child Jesus," by Clokey, will be presented at the Bruce high school assembly Wednesday morning under the direction of Mrs. Nyta Greenwade, a music instructor.

Solo parts will be sung by Gloria Nestor, Toni Dayton, Helen McIntyre, Doris Jean Barricks, Yvonne Moore, Hilda Frey, Mary DiGioia, Myra Beaver, Yvonne Herman, Arlene Trenum, Catherine Ambrose, Betty Jane McIntosh, Sarah Jane Beach, Betty Nealis and Jean Junkins.

Other numbers on the program will include the singing of "Silent Night" by the boys' chorus; Christmas songs by the assembly; piano solos by Linda Lou Cain and Hazel Mae Steiding; a trumpet solo by Hugh Fazenbaker, and a vocal solo by Joan Foreman.

Brief Local Items

Pvt. William C. Shrout, Church street, who has been serving in North Africa with the engineering corps for the past twenty-one months, arrived in New York city Saturday. His wife, Mrs. Mary M. Shrout, R. N., is employed on the nursing staff of People's hospital, Akron, O. Pvt. and Mrs. Shrout are expected here within a few days. He is a son of Mrs. Maud Shrout, Barnum, W. Va.

The home economics department of Bruce high school served a chicken dinner for members of the faculty and their families at the school at 6 p. m. today. The school will close Wednesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

IS WOUNDED



PFC. JOSEPH WILSON

MIDLAND, Dec. 18—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson have been notified by the War department that their son, Pfc. Joseph Wilson, was wounded in France Nov. 26. He was attached to a medical detachment. He trained at Fort Jackson, S. C., and at Camp Campbell, Ky., after being inducted in February 1943, and went overseas early last September. A graduate of Central high school, Lonaconing, he was employed by the Celanese corporation before entering the army. A brother, Harold, is a baker third class in the navy and is now stationed at Alameda, Calif.

Pvt. Hardesty Is Wounded in Europe

By L. C. HUTSON

KITZMILLER, Dec. 18—The Rev. J. H. Hardesty has been informed by the War department that his son, Pvt. Lester Hardesty, was wounded in the European theater.

Personals

Joseph DiGustino, Jr., with the navy at Bainbridge, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DiGustino.

Mrs. Joseph Ridder entertained eight guests Saturday for her daughter, Karen, on her sixth birthday.

Mrs. Ruth E. Hutson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spiker, Parsons, W. Va.

Fred Downey, Westernport, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. O'Donnell.

Miss Ruth Hutson, State Teachers college, Salisbury, will arrive Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hutson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lear announce the birth of a son, Dorie Louis, at Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Lear is the former Dorothy Liller. Lear is stationed in the navy.

McCoole Students Present Annual Christmas Operetta

MCCOOLE, Dec. 17 —"In Quest of Santa Claus", a Christmas operetta, was presented in the school auditorium here tonight under the direction of Helen Whitworth, Veronica Simpson, Alice Wills and Alice A. McCormick, principal of the school.

Doris Joan Harrison, portraying Jane, was anxious to find Santa Claus and started off in search of him. Finally she wandered into the cave of a Wongaloo and was held captive by the Wangoloo, a role played by Russell Yocum. Jane finally was able to escape with the Spirit of Love guiding her.

Preceding the operetta, the Primary Rythm band played several numbers, including, "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town"; "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star", and "The Parade of the Wooden Soldiers". The band, under the direction of Helen Whitworth and Veronica Simpson, made their initial appearance in their new uniforms which were furnished by the McCoole Parent-Teachers' Association.

Other characters in the operetta were:

SUNBEAMS— Agatha Lancaster, Colleen Rexrode, Jean Miller, Maxine Iser, Lois Ann Kesecker, Norma Haywood, Catherine Iser, Delores Ann Barnard, Glenn Dean Clark, Maris Mellin, Velorene Spencer and Margaret Ann Kiddy.

GOBLINS—Sammy Adams, Billy Taylor, Carroll Cain, Allan Patchett, Junior Crawford, Ronnie Kesecker, Byron Kiser, Billy Steenken, Starr Zais, Ted VanPelt and Walter Iser.

DOLLS—Deloras Bulls, Jeannette Corbin, Joan Shay, Judy Gattrell, Ruby Rexrode, Dortha Carskadon, Betty Hickle, Bobbie Cole, Sue Purdy, Sandy Yokum, Barbara Hains and Joan Daugherty.

RABBITS—Dwight Clark, John Shay, Robert Walker, Michael Delio, Robert Perry, John Tichnell, Herman Lease, John Purdy, Alvin Pierce, Albert Creasly, Lloyd Michael, LeRoy House and Robert Van Pelt.

SNOWFLAKES—Marguerite Ahern, Barbara Vandervort, Eileen Butts, Marie Stotler, Helen Glass, Mary Iser, Marion Shreve, Bobbie Jean Riggleman, Shirley Darr, Shirley Van Pelt, Vivadean Spencer, Sarah Staggs, Anna Lee Clark and Virginia Cook.

BROWNIES—Kenneth Cole, John Connor, Zane Northcraft, Louis Chichetto, Ralph Kiser, William Ambrose, Francis Clark, Alfred Lease, James Moomau, and Jerry Chrisman.

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The Lonaconing Business Men's Association

Pro Loop Changes "Draft" System

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—The National Football League, at its post-playoff meeting today, ironed out a few kinks in its system of "drafting" college players and set the stage for its annual meeting in Chicago, Jan. 10.

The principal action was changing the system of awarding extra draft choices to the low ranking clubs. Hereafter, only the clubs which fail to win four games in a season will participate in the second and fourth-round drawings. Under the old system the low five clubs in the standing had these choices.

The league also decided that first choice in the draft this winter will be decided by tossing a coin by Brooklyn, Pittsburgh and the Chicago Cardinals. The Pittsburgh-Cardinals combine was automatically dissolved at the end of the season with each club retaining its full draft rights. Similarly, Detroit, Washington and the Chicago Bears, which finished on even terms, will flip for sixth choice.

President Elmer Layden said there had been no discussion of proposed rival leagues other than a general talk about improving the National League "which would meet real or fancied threats." The recent major league baseball action in closing ball parks to football until the end of the baseball season was not brought up since Layden said it was "just a formal declaration of what had been an informal policy."

Gallant Choice Wins Feature at Gulfstream

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Coming up from fifth place with a burst of speed in the stretch, Mrs. J. F. Bragg's Gallant Choice won the Connecticut purse at Gulfstream park today by a head over Dansation, the favorite. Staters was third.

Jockey Bobby Merritt used his whip to get the three-year-old son of Chance Play going down the straightaway. Gallant Chance paid $6.50 and ran the seven furlongs in 1:26.

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Jockey R. Edens rode four winners at Charles Town (W. Va.). He was up on Rita Jane, $10.20 in the second; Psychoanalyst, $3.40 in the third; Fleetest, $6.00 in the fifth, and Fondenella, $3.80 in the sixth.

Juelich, a German city on the Roer river, northwest of Dueren, is pronounced YOO-leek.

Fort Hill's Reserves Top South End Market

The Fort Hill high reserves staged a garrison finish to defeat the South End Markets, of the Midget League, 25-17, in the preliminary to the Fort Hill-Romney game last night at Fort Hill.

The winners led 7-3 at the quarter but trailed 14-9 at the half. At the close of the third session, the score was tied 15-15. Don Mason paced Fort Hill with fourteen points while Larrick and Mangus shared four of the Markets' six baskets. The lineups:

FORT HILL	G.	F.G.	Pts.
Tyson, f	5	4-7	14
Dickerhoff, f	1	1-1	3
Scott, c	0	0-0	0
Eyler, g	0	1-3	1
Hansrote, g	1	1-1	3
Bishop, sub	0	0-2	0
Sensabaugh, sub	0	0-0	0
Ziler, sub	1	1-2	3
Orndorff, sub	0	1-1	1
Particton, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	8	9-17	25

SOUTH END	G.	F.G.	Pts.
Larrick, f	2	0-2	4
Sidaway, f	1	3-5	5
Shaffer, c	1	2-2	4
Mangus, g	2	0-1	4
Clay, g	0	0-0	0
Rawlings, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	6	5-10	17

Referee—Herboldsheimer.

Haguenau, a German city on the Rhine river, northeast of Strasbourg, is pronounced Hah-NOH.

AT THE TRACKS

CHARLES TOWN RESULTS

FIRST—Chat Hopkins, 4.60, 3.60, 3.00; Lady Doctor, 23.40, 11.20; Sir Islam, 3.60.

SECOND—Rita Jane, 10.20, 3.80, 3.20; Within, 3.20, 2.40; Bugler, 4.40.

DAILY DOUBLE—38.80 for 2.00.

THIRD—Psychoanalyst, 3.40, 2.60, 2.20; Tripped, 5.00, 2.60; Famas Time, 2.40.

FOURTH—Wayuma, 5.60, 3.20, 3.20; Oddree, 4.40, 2.80; Kaptime, 6.60.

FIFTH—Fleetest, 6.00, 3.40, 2.60; Anna Mullen, 3.80, 3.00; Mervyn LeRoy, 3.20.

SIXTH — Fondenella, 3.80, 2.80, 3.20; Colen Kiss, 7.20, 5.20; Gypsy Moth, 12.60.

SEVENTH—Allen Caid, 3.60, 2.40, 2.20; Tyr, 3.20, 2.20; Prelan, 3.20.

EIGHTH—Clarie Whizz, 24.40, 10.80, 7.20; Valdina Fire, 11.00, 8.20; Olivilo, 10.80.

CHARLES TOWN SCRATCHES

FIRST RACE—Moalee, Miss Addie, Argos, Royal Exchange, Gay Padre, Euchre.

SECOND — Alseleda, Stormcock, Yellow Silk, Michael Orin, Clan O'Gael, Not Alone.

THIRD — Over Gold, Cheater, Dehigh, Tommy Atkins, Petes Prince, Love Affair.

FOURTH—Meadow Sun, Bright As Gold, Hard Loser, Daring, Cackle Time, Sherrie Lee.

FIFTH—In Fun, Strolling Don, Fourth Arm, Boy Larkmead, Barbara's Girl, Prance On.

SIXTH—Comedy Player.

SEVENTH—Nick, Prison Ship, Bull Terrier, J. Hal, Middlestone, Milkymoon.

EIGHTH—Walter Light, Flying Duke, Fair Isle, Milk Toast, Say Judge, Track heavy.

GULFSTREAM RESULTS

FIRST—New Glory, 28.10, 10.00, 6.80; Sun Ivy, 5.70, 4.40; Onemore, 4.50.

SECOND — Boy Baby, 3.60, 3.10, 2.50; Brainsafire, 10.90, 4.00; S. S. Grier, 3.20.

DAILY DOUBLE—129.30 for 2.00.

THIRD—Bob O'Sullivan, 6.70, 4.10, 3.70; Ballyrag, 28.70, 14.40; Wayne County, 7.10.

FOURTH—Hargram, 109.80, 25.00, 6.20; Liberty Flight, 5.10, 2.80; Valdina Rocket, 2.70, and Dark Mischief, 2.40, dead heat for third.

FIFTH—Gallant Chance, 6.50, 3.30, 2.60; Dansation, 3.10, 2.70; Staters, 2.80.

SIXTH—Florida Breeze, 25.40, 15.10, 8.40; Short Stay, 5.80, 5.40; Valdina Singer, 7.70.

SEVENTH—Peace Fleet, 3.40, 2.50, 2.40; Double Brab, 3.00, 2.70; Top Sergeant, 3.20.

EIGHTH—Adventurous, 6.10, 3.30, 3.40; Heel Call, 3.60, 2.70; Picket Line, 5.60.

GULFSTREAM PARK SCRATCHES

FIRST RACE—Inna Care, Light Sandwich, Bark, Epidown.

SECOND—Valdina Lord.

FIFTH—Hayal Tinty.

Track fast.

CHARLES TOWN ENTRIES

FIRST—$600; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; about 4½ furlongs.

xMidland 113	xZyloxxie 110
Michael Orin ...118	xMiss Addie 110
xRoyal Exchange..113	xSkippy McGee ..113
xSarakan 113	xGrand Fanar ..113
Maryland Morn ..118	xTime Her 110
xHi Blaze 116	xRhyme Maker ..116
Gay Padre 118	xBlue Melody ...113

SECOND — $700; 3-year-olds and up; 1 1-16 miles.

xSharp Reward..112	xUltima Thule ..112
xBagpipe 112	xSunny Del 109
Swami 117	Miss Upstart 114
Milkymoon 117	Bonsweep 117
Miss Amanda ...114	Macks Gem 114
xJ Ha! 112	xRosa Arteca ...107
xSallipatica 109	Pentagon Lady ..109

THIRD—$700; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; about 7 furlongs.

xJohn's Teddy ..111	xMeadow Sun ..112
xLove Affair 108	xDehigh 108
Hard Loser 120	xPendenciero ...110
xCheater 108	xHazemont 108
Pete's Prince 116	xCol Scott 111
xDaring 111	xMy Exit 115
xRolls Rough ...113	xEaster Pal 115

FOURTH—$800; allowances; 3-year-olds; 6½ furlongs.

xHazel's Play ...112	Sickle Dart 109
xArch McDonald.107	xRampage 110
xGrey Prince 110	Meadorus 109
xTime Burner ...107	Exploit 112
xLeo's Lorraine .110	xFreeland's Owen113
xWhite Easter ..110	xClan O'Gael ...107
Nita Jean 115	Big Moose 109

FIFTH—$800; claiming; 3-year-olds and up; 6½ furlongs.

xGallant 115	xValdina Charm.105
xRandles Queen .116	Tony G 122
xSherrie Lee 105	Bell Soma 117
xMussy 108	xGolden Media ..108
Play Spa 116	xFergy Favorite .113
xAshame 108	Grand Fortune ..117
Diamond Back ..120	Roses Boy 116

SIXTH — $800; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; about 7 furlongs.

xPlayful Star ...110	Prance On 115
xCarlariass 107	Pittsburgh 118
Nepolee 115	xPress Box 110
Equipped 118	xBulrushes 110
xRoad Scraper ..110	xGypsy Moth ...107
xLady Devine ...107	

SEVENTH — $800; claiming; 3-year-olds and up; 1⅛ miles.

G C Hamilton ..117	Hair Cut 112
Middlestone 119	xNick 112
xUpjack 112	xWalter Light ...112
xRough Egg 112	xStrumming 109
xMalandrino 107	xFair Isle 114
xBalloter 114	xCrimson Lancer.112
xMagic Winnie ..109	Buck Langhorne ..119

EIGHTH — $800; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; 1¼ miles.

xIrish Symbol ...108	xSouthern Yam ..110
Primarily 122	xCominch 112
Miss Gallant 113	xRobert E Lee ...111
xCalabozo 108	Found Out 118
Hy Rickey 118	Bardy 117
Maequel 110	Jack Wilson 118
xBlue Devil 112	

xApprentice allowance claimed. First post, 1:30 P. M. Track slow.

Tropical's Inaugural Draws 29 Nominations

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 18 (AP)—Tropical park's $7,500 inaugural handicap has drawn twenty-nine nominations, and present indications are that the six furlong Christmas day feature will be run in two divisions, Director of Racing Jerry Brady announced today.

Best known of the Atlantic coast performers slated for action are Dora Dear, Harvard Square, Smart Bet, Blue Wings, Quillon, Okapi Lancer, Dustman and He Rolls.

Among the western invaders named for the inaugural are Signator, Silvestra, Challenge Me, Fire Power and Quien Es.

Ann Curtis, Swim Star, Voted No. 1 Woman Athlete

San Francisco Mermaid Holds Record for Each of Her 18 Years

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — Ann Curtis, statuesque San Francisco Miss who holds a national swim record for each of her eighteen years, was named the woman athlete of the year today by the country's sports editors who were polled by the Associated Press.

The coast mermaid showed the same speed in the vote getting that she displayed in the national outdoor championships, when she annexed all four freestyle titles, the third time the trick ever has been done.

At the recent National A. A. U. convention, Miss Curtis sought approval of eighteen United States swim records. Twelve were recognized, the remaining six being rejected because they already had been superseded by Miss Curtis herself.

Seventy-one editors participated in the poll with the coast beauty listed first on thirty-one. Mrs. George Zaharias, nee Mildred (Babe) Didrikson, was second in the tabulation because of her golf exploits with twelve first place selections and eighty points, compared to the 105 tallies for the winner.

The queen of the girl swimmers thus reigns beside Byron Nelson, Toledo, Ohio, golfer, whom the voters previously had elected the male athlete of the year.

Mrs. Zaharias, this year's runner-up, was the winner of the top honor in 1932 after annexing the hurdle and javelin titles in the Olympic games for the United States.

Pauline Betz, who won the national tennis championship for the third straight year, was third in the poll and was followed by a trio of golders—Dorothy Germain, Patty Berg and Betty Hicks.

Miss Berg was the 1943 queen and Miss Hicks wore the crown in 1941.

Today's honor climaxes a two-year campaign by Miss Curtis in which she has won eight national titles, set eighteen United States records and surpassed the world times for both the 800 meter and 880 yards swims.

She has rejected various movie offers in hopes of carrying the colors of the Crystal Plunge Swim club at San Francisco into Olympic competition.

1931—Helene Madison, swimming.
1932—Mildred (Babe) Didrikson, track.
1933—Helen Jacobs, tennis.
1934—Virginia Van Wie, golf.
1935—Helen Willis Moody, tennis.
1936—Helen Stephens, track.
1937—Katherine Rawls, swimming.
1938—Patty Berg, golf.
1939—Alice Marble, tennis.
1940—Alice Marble, tennis.
1941—Betty Hicks Newell, golf.
1942—Gloria Callen, swimming.
1943—Patty Berg, golf.

University of Mexico To Play in Sun Bowl

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 18—(AP)—The University of Mexico has agreed to meet Southwestern university, of Georgetown, Tex., in the New Year's day Sun bowl here and the signing of a contract for the tilt was scheduled today in Mexico City.

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Mrs. McKee, Brooks Win Bowling Match

Mrs. Elsie McKee and Cliff Brooks defeated Elizabeth Rhoe and Nick Hetrick by eighty pins in a special ten-game doubles match rolled at the Club here and at Cresaptown.

Mrs. McKee and Brooks, following the first five games at the Club, trailed by a dozen pins, but at the Silver Lanes in Cresaptown, the winners wiped out the deficit to finish with a comfortable margin.

Brooks had 725 at the Club and 743 at Cresaptown while Mrs. McKee hit 656 at the Club and 725 at Cresaptown. Team totals were McKee and Brooks, 2,849, and Rhoe and Hetrick, 2,769. The scores:

AT CLUB RECREATION

McKee	106	144	119	148	139	656
Brooks	165	114	175	128	143	725
Total						1381
Rhoe	136	178	147	124	121	706
Hetrick	119	152	150	148	118	687
Total						1393

AT CRESAPTOWN

McKee	139	125	151	166	144	725
Brooks	153	128	160	131	171	743
Total						1468
Rhoe	165	165	146	148	109	733
Hetrick	109	128	132	122	152	643
Total						1376

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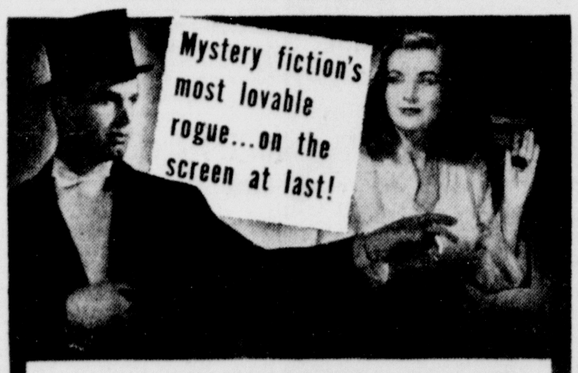
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THE PHANTOM
Thrilling Serial

Fort Hill Trims Romney, 52 to 30; Allegany Opens Campaign Tonight

Sentinels Make 15 Straight Fouls; Durbin Sparks Hillmen with Seven Fielders

Displaying improved passing and shooting, Coach "Bobby" Cavanaugh's Fort Hill High Sentinels romped to a 52-30 victory over the Romney (W. Va.) High Pioneers in the latter's opening game of the season last night on the Sentinel court.

With Ted Durbin showing the way with seven field goals, the Hilltoppers connected eighteen times for doubledeckers and set some sort of a record at the foul stripe. The Sentinels converted their first fifteen free throws before Ralph Beard broke the spell early in the final quarter. The five starters all had perfect marks at the foul line with "Buddy" Giles caging seven in as many tries. The final tabulation shows Fort Hill made sixteen free tossers and missed four.

Sentinels Lead 21-6 at Quarter

In the first quarter, the Sentinels had little trouble with Romney's man-for-man defense and piled up a 21-6 lead. However, in the second stanza the Pioneers switched to a zone and at the half, the figures read 30-12. The count stood 44-17 at the end of the third round.

Romney never led but the Pioneers tied the score 1-1 early in the battle when Giles and Captain Dick Harmison, of the West Virginians, each made a foul. Baskets by Giles and Don "Bubbles" Whiteman and a pair of free throws by Don McGill put the Sentinels on the road to victory. With five minutes of the quarter remaining, Harmison dropped in a one-hander from the right for Romney's only doubledecker of the period. In the second quarter, the Pioneers cut the cords twice from the field.

Durbin, in addition to gathering fourteen points, sparkled on the defense. Whiteman had three fielders and four fouls in as many tries while McGill had two baskets and three-for-three at the charity stripe. Harmison was the game's top scorer with fifteen points—four field goals and seven of sixteen fouls.

Allegany Opens Tonight

The Allegany High Campers and three other district scholastic teams will open their campaigns tonight. Allegany will travel to Somerset, Pa., to meet the Somerset High Eagles at 8 o'clock. Moorefield's Yellow Jackets will lift the curtain in a Potomac Valley Conference tilt at Mathias, Capon Bridge and Wardensville will collide in another PVC affair at Wardensville with Capon Bridge launching its season and the Petersburg High Vikings will open against Romney in another conference engagement at Romney.

One other contest is on tap tonight—Fort Ashby and Bruce will battle it out at Westernport.

Coach Walter "Bill" Bowers's probable starting Allegany lineup is Ken Cubbage and Dick DeHart at the forwards, Bob Price at center and John Cox and Bill Stanley at the guards. Cox is the only holdover regular from last season on the squad, Stanley and DeHart won letters last winter. Price was a reserve in 1943-44 and Cubbage is a product of the Central YMCA Sunday School League.

Stanley works after school and may not be able to make the trip, Bowers said. If not, Gene Shaw, Tom Powers or Jim Radcliffe will draw the starting guard assignment. Last night's lineups:

FORT HILL	G.	F.G.	Pts.
Durbin, f	7	0-0	14
Giles, f	1	7-7	9
McGill, c	2	3-3	7
Whiteman, g	3	4-4	10
Chase, g	0	0-0	0
Cage, sub	1	0-0	2
Beard, sub	0	0-1	0
Moss, sub	1	1-4	3
Mason, sub	2	0-0	4
Frye, sub	1	1-1	3
Hamrote, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	18	16-20	52
ROMNEY	**G.**	**F.G.**	**Pts.**
Speelman, f	1	0-1	2
Booth, f	3	1-2	7
Harmison, c	4	7-16	15
Maphis, g	0	0-0	0
Gregg, g	1	0-1	2
Keister, sub	2	0-1	4
Rannells, sub	0	0-0	0
Sanders, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	11	8-21	30

Referee—Dusic.

Legion Tossers Trim Moorefield In Opening Game

Norm Mason Leads Local Independent Outfit to 47 to 23 Victory

MOOREFIELD, W. Va., Dec. 18—Two of the district's independent basketball clubs opened their campaigns here tonight when the Cumberland (Md.) American Legion quint polished off the Moorefield Independents, 47-23.

Moorefield set the pace only once in the contest—early in the first quarter when it surged to the front 4-2. However, the Marylanders came back and had things practically all their own way. The count was 9-4 at the quarter, 25-10 at the halfway mark and 38-15 at the end of the third stanza.

The Legion, playing without Mel "Newt" Henry, one of the district's top cagers who has been ill, was led by Norm Mason, who cut the cords for nineteen points. Fred Davis, former Fort Hill ace, had nine markers.

"Huck" Seymour accounted for three of Moorefield's nine doubledeckers. Thursday night, the local outfit will travel to Franklin, W. Va., to meet the Franklin Independents. The lineups:

LEGION	G.	F.G.	Pts.
Mason, f	8	3-5	19
Kaufman, f	1	0-1	2
Davis, c	4	1-1	9
Spangler, g	2	0-2	4
Proudfoot, g	2	1-1	5
Minnicks, sub	2	0-0	4
Miller, sub	1	0-0	2
Swach, sub	1	0-0	2
Totals	21	5-10	47
MOOREFIELD	**G.**	**F.G.**	**Pts.**
Roomsburg, f	2	1-3	5
Miley, f	1	0-0	2
Seymour, c	3	2-4	8
Paugh, g	1	0-1	2
R. Bean, g	0	2-3	2
Sutton, sub	1	0-0	2
Fawley, sub	1	0-0	2
Sackett, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	9	5-11	23

Referee—McNeill.

Wolves Win DeMolay First Half Crown

Earl Knott's Wolves won the first half championship of the Cumberland DeMolay Bowling League when they captured three games from Robert Kolb's Dogs in a roll-off match last night at Kelso's. Knott led the Wolves with 171-419 while Bob Kolb sparked the Dogs with 171-435. The second half will open Monday, January 8.

Piedmont Hoopmen Trim Barton High

PIEDMONT, W. Va., Dec. 18—Unable to get going in the first half, Coach "Huck" Miers's Piedmont high courtmen found the range in the last two periods and defeated Barton high tossers 34-14 here tonight in the visitors' opening game of the season.

Piedmont held a slim lead throughout the first half. The score stood 8-6 at the quarter and 16-11 at the intermission. In the third session, the Miersmen helped themselves to seven points while holding Barton scoreless for a 23-11 edge going into the closing heat.

Louis Tucci dropped in a dozen points for Piedmont while Jack Keller gathered nine. No Barton tosser had more than one field goal. The lineups:

PIEDMONT	G.	F.G.	Pts.
Tucci, f	6	0-1	12
Pettit, f	1	2-3	4
Keller, c	4	1-2	9
McGreevy, g	2	0-0	4
Wolfond, g	0	1-2	1
Blackburn, sub	1	0-0	2
Hood, sub	1	0-0	2
Sayers, sub	0	0-0	0
Domenick, sub	0	0-0	0
Riggins, sub	0	0-0	0
Murphy, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	15	4-8	34
BARTON	**G.**	**F.G.**	**Pts.**
E. Warnick, f	1	1-1	3
Miebaltz, f	1	0-0	2
Clark, c	1	1-4	3
T. Warnick, g	1	3-3	5
B. Warnick, g	0	1-1	1
Bradley, sub	0	0-0	0
Kiddy, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	4	6-9	14

Referee—Clark.

ALLEGANY HIGH CAGERS OPEN SEASON AT SOMERSET



ALLEGANY HIGH BASKETBALLERS will raise the curtain on their 1944-45 campaign tonight when they meet the Somerset High Eagles at Somerset, Pa. Coached by Walter "Bill" Bowers, veteran Blue and White mentor, the squad is shown above. Left row, front to rear, Bob Price, Dick DeHart, John Cox, Gene Shaw, Glen Brant, Dan Johnson and Russell Hilleary. Right row, front to rear, Kenneth Cubbage, Tom Powers, Jack Diamond, Bill Thompson, John Bachman, Jim Radcliffe and Ed Rhind. Bill Stanley, Herman Myers and Tom Jamison, other members of the squad, wereworking when the picture was taken.

Thomas Defeats Grads in Opener

By HELEN COLLETT

THOMAS, W. Va., Dec. 18—Coach Bill Suder's Thomas high basketball team opened its 1944-45 season here tonight with a 41-32 victory over an Alumni outfit.

Thomas, winner of the 1944 West Virginia sectional tournament and runnerup in the regional, led 13-7 at the quarter and 19-16 at the half. The score was deadlocked 28-28 going into the closing session in which Thomas outscored the Grads thirteen to four.

Frank Sedmock paced the high school team with fourteen points while Dante Tonelly had twelve. T. DiBacco was high for the Alumni with thirteen counters. The lineups:

THOMAS	G.	F.G.	Pts.
F. Sedmock, f	6	2-4	14
S. Totedo, f	3	0-0	6
Tonelli, c	4	4-7	12
Johnson, g	1	1-2	3
DePollo, g	1	0-1	2
E. Sedmock, sub	0	0-1	0
Bohnke, sub	1	0-0	2
P. Totedo, sub	1	0-0	2
Losh, sub	0	0-0	0
Arnold, sub	0	0-0	0
Sagace, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	17	7-15	41
ALUMNI	**G.**	**F.G.**	**Pts.**
T. DiBacco, f	6	1-1	13
Wotring, f	2	1-1	5
Pell, c	3	3-5	9
Helmick, g	2	1-1	5
Rubenstein, g	0	0-1	0
A. DiBacco, sub	0	0-0	0
Pase, sub	0	0-0	0
J. Stemple, sub	0	0-0	0
Totals	13	6-9	32

Referee—Quatiro.

Officials Announced For Orange Bowl Game

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 18 (AP)—K. C. Gerard, of Durham, N. C., a graduate of the University of Illinois, will be the referee for the Orange bowl football game New Year's day between Georgia Tech and Tulsa.

The umpire will be Frank Moon, of Dallas, Texas, graduate of Nebraska; B. W. Hackney, of High Point, N. C., University of North Carolina, will act as the linesman, and A. L. Haskins, of Oklahoma City, University of Oklahoma, will be field judge.

Bainbridge Wins Sixth Straight

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18. (AP)—The Bainbridge naval training center basketball team scored its sixth straight win tonight, defeating the Curtis Bay coast guard five 46-35 in a hard-fought contest.

Curtis Bay held Bainbridge to its lowest score and second lowest victory margin of the season, leading for most of the first half and tailing by only a point at the half.

Bainbridge started a second team and Curtis Bay rolled up an early lead that twice amounted to seven points. Ensign John Wydro, Bainbridge coach, sent the first-stringers into action with the score 15-9 against them.

Shortly afterward Bainbridge led 19-15 but Curtis Bay's Moose Jones and Nat Winitsky netted field goals to tie the count. A Bainbridge charity throw made the intermission score 20-19.

Bainbridge's Sol Schwartz dominated the second half play, contributing five points and keeping Winitzky well covered. Curtis Bay, having no second team of comparable ability, tired quickly throughout the period.

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More Pre-Holiday Programs Are Listed by Radio

Orson Welles Will Be Heard in "Plot To Overthrow Christmas"

By C. E. BUTTERFIELD

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Another day closer to Christmas, and some more seasonable broadcasts on the networks. Not many have been announced in advance for Tuesday, but those which have been listed are given herewith:

4:15 BLUE—Stamford, Conn., high school a cappella choir of 100.

4:30 BLUE—Don McNeill's Christmas stories.

9:30—CBS—Orson Welles in a repeat of Norman Corwin's "Plot to Overthrow Christmas" in This Is My Best. This drama had its first presentation in December, 1939.

Crosby a Guest

That man out of Hollywood, Bing Crosby, is getting together with Bob Hope again at 10 on NBC. Object guest appearance. . . . Of the other guests there will be Tito Guizar and his guitar in the Roy Rogers cowboy show on MBS at 8:30.

Another of the New York Symphony broadcasts under the direction of Leopold Stokowski is on the NBC agenda at 6:15, to run twenty-five minutes.

Jimmy Walker, former New York mayor, is due for a discussion of current sport trends in a showup for Ted Husing's program on CBS at 6:30. . . . Guests of the Blue's Metropolitan Opera U. S. A. at 11:30 are Florence Kirk, soprano, and Francesco Valentino, baritone.

The American Forum of MBS at 9:30 is to turn its attention to this question: "Should the House of Representatives Have a Voice in Making Treaties?" A panel of four, two of them representatives and one of them a senator, are to be heard. . . Another speaking spot will put Sen. E. V. Robertson, of Wyoming, on CBS at 10:30 in a talk on "War and Peacetime Leadership."

Some Early Offerings

NBC—12:30 p. m. Army air force band from Denver; 2:45 p. m. Hymns of all Churches; 5:45 Front Page Farrell.

CBS—11:45 a. m. Aunt Jenny's stories; 2:15 p. m. Two on a Clue; 4:30 Raymond Scott show.

BLUE — 10:45 a. m. Listening Drama; 2:30 p. m. Ladies Be Seated; 3:15 Appointment With Life.

MBS—1:15 Terry's House Party; 2:45 Detective mysteries; 5 Mutual Musicale.

The Radio Clock

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Eastern War Time. P. M.—Subtract One Hour for CWT., 2 Hrs. for MWT.

Changes in programs as listed due to corrections by networks made too late to incorporate.

5:45—Front Page Farrell Serial—nbc
Wilderness Road, Serial Drama—cbs
Capt. Midnight, a Sketch—blu-east
Hop Harrigan in Repeat—other blu
Tom Mix Serial Series—mbs-basic
6:00—News Report for 15 Mins.—nbc
Quincy Howe and News Time—cbs
Repeat of the Terry Serial—blu-west
Prayer; Comment on the War—mbs
6:15—Stokowski Concert; Sports—nbc
Edwin C. Hill in Commentary—cbs
Repeat From Dick Tracy—blu-west
Chick Carter, a Boy Detective—mbs
6:30—Ted Husing Talks on Sports—cbs
Jack Armstrong in Repeat—blu-west
Repeat Superman's Serial—mbs-west
6:45—Lowell Thomas & Newscast—nbc
World News and Commentary—cbs
Henry J. Taylor Comment—blu-basic
Capt. Midnight in Repeat—blu-west
Repeat of Tom Mix Serial—mbs-west
7:00—Block's Supper Club—nbc-basic
"I Love a Mystery," Dramatic—cbs
Side Show With Dave Elman—blu
Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comments—mbs
7:15—War News From the World—nbc
Johnnie Johnston, Bill Slater—cbs
To Be Announced (15 Mins.)—mbs
7:30—Dick Haynes & Show—nbc-basic
The Irresistibles in Vocal—other nbc
American Melodies, Songs, Orc.—cbs
Green Hornet, Detective Drama—blu
Arthur Hale in Comment—nbc-east
7:45—Kaltenborn Comment—nbc-west
Music & Lyrics, Frances Greer—mbs
8:00—Ginny Simms and Guests—nbc
"Big Town," Newspaper Drama—cbs
Ted Malone's Overseas Show—blu
Frank Singiser Newscast—mbs-east
Arthur Hale With Repeat—other mbs
8:15—Lum and Abner Serial Skit—blu
Sunny Skylar Song Serenade—mbs
8:30—A Date With Judy, Drama—nbc
Theater of Romance, Dramas—cbs
Alan Young's Comedy Program—blu
Roy Rogers & Cowboy Show—mbs
8:55—Five Minutes News Period—cbs
9:00—Mystery Theater, Dramatic—nbc
Burns and Allen Comedy Show—cbs
Gracie Fields in Variety Show—blu
Gabriel Heatter and Comment—mbs
9:15—Dramas From Real Life—mbs
9:30—Fibber McGee and Molly—nbc
This Is My Best, Drama, Music—cbs
Spotlight Bands, Guest Orches.—blu
American Forum, Guest Panel—mbs
9:55—Five Minutes Story Teller—blu
10:00—Bob Hope's Comedy Variety—nbc
Service to the Front, Dramas—cbs
Raymond Gram Swing Comment—blu
10:15—Andy Russell's Song Show—blu
Paul Schubert's War Comment—mbs
10:30—Hildegarde's Variety Show—nbc
Congress Speaks for 15 Mins.—cbs
To Be Announced (30 Mins.)—blu
Dance Orchestra (30 Minutes)—mbs
10:45—Behind the Scenes via CBS—cbs
11:00—News for 15 Minutes—nbc-basic
The Supper Club's Repeat—nbc-west
News Variety Dance 2 hr.—cbs & blu
Newsreel; Dance Variety 3 hr.—mbs
11:15—Variety and News to 1 a.m.—nbc

WTBO Highlights

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 Musical Chatterbox.
7:30 News.
8:00 World news round-up (NBC).
8:15 Do You Remember? (NBC).
8:45 News.
9:00 Mirth and Madness (NBC).
9:30 Morning Meditations.
9:45 Peg Coulehan.
10:25 News.
10:30 Finders Keepers (NBC).
11:00 Road of Life (NBC).
11:15 Community hostess.
11:30 News.
12:00 Words and Music (NBC).
12:30 News.
12:45 Bands of the army air forces (NBC).
1:00 Sketches in Melody (NBC).
1:30 Carolyn Gilbert (NBC).
1:45 Morgan Beatty (NBC).
2:00 The Guiding Light (NBC).
2:15 Today's Children (NBC).
2:30 Woman in White (NBC).
2:45 Doctors Courageous.
3:15 Ma Perkins (NBC).
3:30 News.
3:45 Right to Happiness (NBC).
4:00 Backstage Wife (NBC).
4:15 Stella Dallas (NBC).
4:30 Lorenzo Jones (NBC).
4:45 Young Widder Brown (NBC).
5:30 News.
5:45 War commentary.
5:50 Treasury Brief.
6:00 Parade of Sports.
6:30 News.
6:45 Musicale.
7:00 The Supper Club (NBC).
7:15 Shadow of Fu Manchu.
7:30 Everything for the Boys (NBC).
8:00 Frank Singiser (M).
8:30 Books in Review.
9:00 The Radio Workshop.
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12:00 News (NBC).

SOMETHING FOR THE GIRLS
☆ TONIGHT ☆
Ronald Colman
WTBO 9:45 p.m.
ALL STAR WAVE SHOW
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Old Export
Always the Same Always Good
Mountain Water Makes The Difference

Today's Pattern



Smooth, fluid lines, perfect fit! Slip pattern 9393, cut with combination of bias and straight fabric, never rides up, never twists.

Pattern 9393 is available in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20; 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44. Sizes 16, slip, takes two and one-fourth yards thirty-nine inch fabric.

This pattern, together with a needlework pattern for personal or household decoration, twenty cents.

Send twenty cents in coins for these patterns to The Cumberland News, 39, Pattern Department, 232 West Eighteenth street, New York 11, N. Y. Print plainly size, name, address, style number.

Fifteen cents more brings you the Marian Martin fall and winter pattern book full of smart, easy-to-make styles. A free pattern is printed right in the book.

Pineapple Doilies



by Laura Wheeler

It's real pleasure to set a table when you have these lovely crocheted pineapple doilies. They are simple to crochet—start now!

This lovely crochet makes luncheon or buffet sets as well as extra doilies. Pattern 586 contains directions for doilies; stitches.

This pattern, together with a needlework pattern for personal or household decorations, fifteen cents.

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Bratislava, a Czechoslovakian city near the Austrian border, is pronounced Brah-tees-LAH-vah.



DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Tattle
5. Part of a window
9. Ireland
10. Bulging jar
11. Moth
12. Thick slices
14. Present
16. Cry of a cow
17. Keel-billed cuckoo
18. Thin
21. Apportion
23. Regret
24. Samarium (sym.)
25. Devour
27. Halfpenny (slang Eng.)
29. Part of "to be"
31. Turf
33. Contest of speed
36. Matured germ cells
39. Larva of eye-threadworm
40. Before
41. Vacillates
43. Funeral song
46. Laughing
47. S-shaped molding
48. To be very fond of
49. Never (poet.)
50. Snow vehicle

DOWN

1. Go away!
2. Fuel
3. Region
4. Ship's bunk
5. Distress signal
6. Sick
7. Animal (So. Am.)
8. Drudges
11. Cheese (round.)
13. Face-up card (Faro)
15. Audience
19. Chicle
20. Equipment
22. Comfort
26. Little child
28. Helmet-shaped
29. Old
30. Girl's name
32. Moisture
34. Salted slightly, as beef
35. Compass point
37. Mingle
38. Varieties of chalcedony
42. A stringed instrument
44. Turn to the right
45. Ever (poet.)

Yesterday's Answer

CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

YKNOSVCVRR OR SK HKKXCVRR TJFS TKGXR FGV SK SJKBHJSR—EKBWVGS.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: FORTUNE MAKES A FOOL OF THE MAN WHOM SHE FAVOURS OVER MUCH—SYRUS.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I don't think you'd like what's in that box, either, Madam!—That's my lunch!"

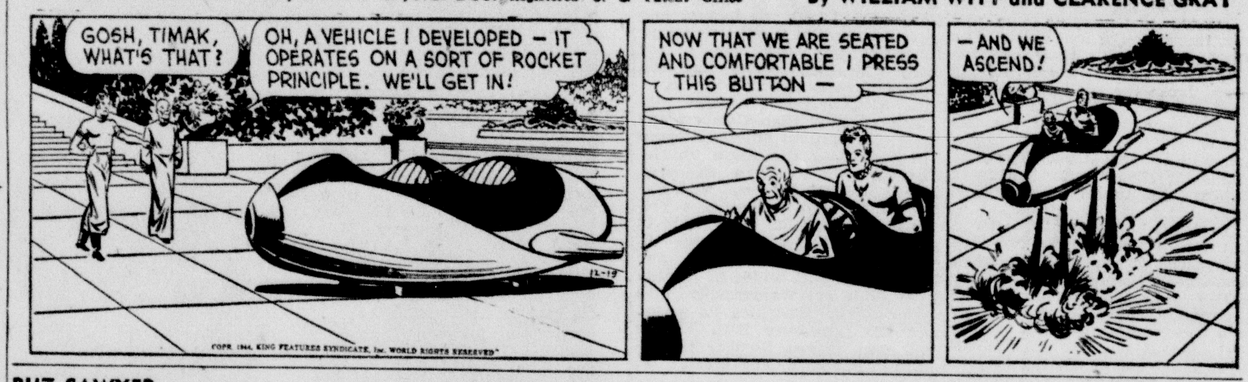
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BIG SISTER Registered U. S. Patent Office By LES FORGRAVE



DICK TRACY—The Ride



CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT
Open 8:30 A. M. to 10 P. M. Daily
4 P. M. to 10 P. M. Sundays
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Funeral Directors

How To Have A SUITABLE FUNERAL
At Low Cost — Phone 1454
KIGHT FUNERAL HOME
309-311 Decatur St.

6th WAR LOAN
WAR BONDS
Make Fine X-MAS Gifts
PHONE 27
LOUIS STEIN INC
FUNERAL HOME
117 FREDERICK ST-CUMBERLAND

In Memoriam

... loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Anna Getsom McGinn, who passed away one year ago today, Dec. 19, 1943. Sadly missed by her five daughters.

OUR MOTHER
Oh the memory of that morning
As we stood with aching hearts,
To see the one we loved so dearly
From us forever part.
And the spirit ever loving
Hovers still around us here,
Everything and place reminds us
Of a precious Mother dear.
But our lonely hearts are aching
For the face and smile we miss
And we long for the dear Mother
Whom we never more shall kiss.
12-19-1t-N

2—Automotive

AUTOMOBILE, 1937 convertible Packard coupe. Phone 4696. 12-18-5t-T

CHEVROLET
SALES & SERVICE
EILER CHEVROLET, INC.
119 N. Mechanic Phone 143

PARTS—SERVICE—BODY SHOP
For All Model Cars
Spoerl's Garage
88 N. George St. Phone 301

Thompson Buick
Service On All Makes
At Pre-War Prices
PHONE 1470

Cash For Your Car
All Models
Taylor Motor Co.
217 N. Mechanic St. Phone 395

JOHNSON'S
AUTO EXCHANGE
Top Cash Prices Paid For Your Car
ANY MAKE OR MODEL
207 N. Mechanic St. Phone 2227

Used Cars Bought and Sold
STORAGE & SERVICE
THE M-G-K MOTOR CO
221 Glenn St. Phone 2300

Selling Your Car?
REMEMBER:
NOBODY CAN LEGALLY PAY MORE FOR YOUR CAR THAN . . .
Allen Schlosberg's
Used Car Lot
838 N. Mechanic St.
Phone 4415

TAYLOR MOTOR CO
WILL PAY YOU CASH
FOR YOUR USED CAR
Top OPA Ceiling Prices Paid
Sell Your Used Car Now And Help Us Keep War Workers In Transportation To And From Work.
317 N. Mechanic Phone 395

YES!
WE'LL BUY YOUR CAR
We Need All Makes and Models
THE CASH IS HERE FOR YOU AT ONCE
GET TOP CEILING PRICE AT
ELCAR SALES
Headquarters For Trading
Open Day and Night
Opp. Post Office Phone 344

2—Automotive

1937 HUDSON, ceiling price. Phone 2002-J. 12-14-tf-T

1939 Reo Truck, Phone Frostburg 189-M. 12-17-2t-T

1937 La Salle four door sedan with radio and heater. Box 586 B, % Times-News. 12-17-2t-T

FARM EQUIPMENT
Cletrac Agricultural Tractors Are Available
Let us help you make application before quota is exhausted
MACK TRUCKS
Several hundred NEW MACK trucks released for civilian use
Come in and let us help you make application now for early delivery
Steinla Motor & Transportation Co., Inc.
218 S. Mechanic Phone 2550

Sell Your Car to
Gulick's Auto Exchange
Or We Both Lose Money
325 S. Centre St. Phone 4510

3-A—Auto Glass

Glass Installed WHILE YOU WAIT
BEERMAN AUTO WRECKERS
153 Wineow St. Phone 2270

4—Repairs, Service Stations

BUD & ED'S AUTO SERVICE
317 Henderson Ave. Phone 3744

13—Coal For Sale

WAKEMAN COAL, big vein and stoker. Phone 4024-F-14. 7-9-tf-N

ROBINETTE COAL CO.
Phone 3205 or 815-M

GOOD LUMPY coal. Phone 2105. 6-2-tf-N

BIG VEIN Wetzel - Consumers Co. AND STOKER **PHONE 818**

WASHED stoker coal, nut coal and big vein coal. Greenpoint yard. Phone 3698-R. 10-28-tf-N

MEYERSDALE big vein. Peterbrink, 1815-J. 10-4-tf-N

SOMERSET coal, stoker and run of mine. Campbell, Phone 2666-J. 10-19-3mo-N

CALORIC coal for heat circulators, run of mine coal and stoker. Phone 3220. 11-21-31t-N

J. RILEY — best big vein and stoker coal. Phone 4167. 10-22-tf-T

REED'S PARKER STOKER COAL — AYERS — 3300. 11-9-tf-T

STOKER and big vein. Phone 2566 Mt. Savage. 11-18-31t-N

DOMESTIC stoker coal, Shanholtz 2249-R. 12-1-31t-N

CLITES best big vein, stoker. Phone 1590. 12-14-31t-N

LUMPY RUN OF MINE, stoker. Prompt delivery, 4216-R. Cross. 12-15-4t-N

BERLIN lumpy run of mine, stoker. Phone 3745, Brant. 12-16-31t-T

15—Electric Work, Fixtures

Factory Service
- Bendix
- Kelvinator
- General Electric

Cumberland Electric Co.
137 Virginia Ave., Phone 619

ELECTRICAL WORK
MOTOR repairing, wiring and fixtures. Queen City Electric Co., 158 Frederick St. Phone 117.

16—Money To Loan

MORTON LOAN CO.
JEWELERS
PAWN BROKERS
Quick Confidential Loans on All Articles of Value
HEADQUARTERS FOR DIAMONDS
Large Stock of Unredeemed Pledges for Sale Including
WATCHES • JEWELRY
GUNS • LUGGAGE
HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR OLD GOLD
Open Week-days to 6 P. M.
Saturday until 9 P. M.
33 Baltimore St. Phone 3770

LOANS
Articles Of Value
Bargains in unredeemed pledges
Watch Repairing
JOHN NEWCOMER
215 Virginia Ave.
Formerly of the Hamilton Watch Co.

MONEY TO LOAN
Interest 5% per Year
McKAIG'S
101 Williams St. Phone 262

MONEY! ON ARTICLES OF VALUE
Unredeemed Merchandise Bargains
Cumberland Loan Co.
WE BUY OLD GOLD
42 N. Mechanic St. Phone 607-M

"HAROLD'S"
Jewelers & Pawnbrokers
Corner N. Mechanic & Baltimore Streets
In Cumberland
WE BUY OLD GOLD

17—For Rent

ELECTRIC sewing machines by the month. Phone 394, Singer Sewing Machine Co., 77 N. Centre St. 10-7-tf-N

FARM for rent at Ellerslie. Apply E. A. Umstot, Ellerslie. 12-15-4t-N

19—Furnished Apartments

MODERN TWO, three and four room apartments, also single rooms by the week or month. Boulevard Apartments, Phone 2737. 8-9-tf-T

SEVEN room house, completely furnished, bath 2 car garage. Phone Mt. Savage 2591. 12-17-1wk-T

20—Unfurnished Apartments

THREE rooms, bath, private entrance, stoker heat, adults, 759 Maryland Ave. 12-15-tf-N

LA VALE: 4-rooms, bath, heat, garage, adults $35, 1843-R. 12-19-3t-N

22—Furnished Rooms

SLEEPING room, gentlemen, 30 N. Liberty, Apt. B-3 11-20-tf-T

24—Houses For Rent

FOUR rooms, Smouses, Christy Road. 12-17-2t-T

SIX ROOMS, modern, hardwood throughout, concrete cellar, stationary tubs, garage, 717 Frederick St. $45. Phone 544. 12-18-1t-T

25—Room and Board

ROOM and board. Phone 2593-J. 12-4-31t-T

26—For Sale Miscellaneous

DRESSED RABBITS, delivered. Phone 1212-WX. 6-1-tf-N

Maytag Parts & Service
Wringer Rolls, All Makes
MILES APPLIANCE & SERVICE
31 N. Mechanic St. Phone 848

ASPHALT ROOFING, 1 ply 98c; 2 ply, $1.35; 3 ply, $1.85. Liberty Hardware, Phone 550. 9-15-tf-T

SPENCER SUPPORTS, individually designed. Alleta Allamong Luchs. Phone 3822-M. 9-1-tf-N

NEW and used furniture, 107 N. Centre. 11-18-31t-T

XMAS TREES, live, cut and sprayed. Savage Garden Nursery. Phone Mt. Savage 3376, Cumberland 2170-J. 11-28-tf-N

AN IDEAL GIFT
For Your Boy or Girl
A Y.M.C.A. Membership
52 weeks of real fun
Only $5.00
12-2tf-N

FOR Christmas gifts—Smart Form Foundations, $7.50; Surgical Belts, $6.95. Phone 2026. 12-3-tf-T

PEAT moss for flowers and poultry litter, $2.65 per sack. Liberty Hardware Co., 49 North Liberty, Phone 550. 12-8-2w-T

TREES FOR XMAS
Balsam, Cedar, Tamarack
Wetzel's Esso Sta., Park & Union
Also at Cor. Greene & Allegany
12-10-2wk-T

Practical gifts for men, boys and girls. Men and girls' ice skates, $9.95. Men's rubbers, $1.73. Men's 4-buckle galoshes, all rubber and cloth tops, $3.98 to $4.50. Men's heavy blue wool Melton zipper jackets, $6.95. Boys' blue wool Melton zipper jackets, $5.98. Boys' corduroy long pants, $3.98. Boys' dress shirts, $1.79. Men's leather dress gloves, wool lined, $2.95 to $4.95. Little boys' leather dress gloves, wool lined, $1.69. Men's coat sweaters, $2.95 to $4.95. Boys' sweaters, $1.98 to $2.95. For the deep snow girls 4-buckle cloth top galoshes, $3.98. Shop and save at

THE HUB
Army and Navy Goods
19 N. Centre St. Open Evenings

CHRISTMAS suggestions. Studio couches, smokers, magazine racks, pianos, furniture and stoves of all kinds. Reinharts. Peoples Furniture Store, 17 Baltimore St. 12-14-10t-N

TABLE and chair sets, desks, kitchen cabinets, bowling alleys, vanity dressers, toy chests. These toys have been greatly reduced at "Tiny Tot Toyland", 228 Virginia Ave. 12-14-10t-N

ORDER your Christmas gifts now from Mrs. Edward D. Lewis, Avon Representative. Phone 4008-F-12. 12-12-1wk-T

CLOSING OUT all antiques, 6 Harrison St., Lester Boward. 12-12-31t-T

RADIOS—Bought, sold. Phone 1600. 12-13-31t-N

54 FOLDING CHAIRS, in sections, for theatre or church, $30. John Lohr, 107 Polk. 12-14-1wk-T

TWO heatrolas and two coal cooking stoves, perfect condition, cheap. Phone 1497-M. 12-15-tf-T

STURDY hand tire pumps, $1.79; also complete line tire and tube repair equipment. Montgomery Ward Co. 12-16-3t-N

JACKS, auto and truck, 3 ton, 8 ton hydraulics, $7.65-$10.95. Montgomery Ward Co. 12-16-3t-N

SAXOPHONE and case. Phone 1119-M. 12-16-3t-N

TRY the new Antiseptic mattress, one of the world's best. Reinhart's. Peoples Furniture Store. 12-14-1wk-N

DROP HEAD Singer sewing machine. 38 Bedford St. 12-16-1wk-N

RADIO, 41 model; trombone. Phone 3608. 12-16-3t-T

CHILD'S maple high chair, maple musical cradle for doll. Phone 1860-W. 12-17-2t-T

SEWING machine $18. Phone 4546. 12-17-3t-T

400 bushels of apples, would like to sell entire lot. Call 2764-W after 6 p. m. 12-19-3t-N

GIRL'S pre-war bicycle, 110 Pennsylvania Ave. 12-19-3t-N

PRE-WAR sled, rocking horse, child's car seat, call 1324-R. 12-19-2t-N

BROWN coat set, 5 years; blue snow suit 5 years, call 947-M after 5. 12-19-2t-N

TWO practically new bicycles, fur jacket, phone 4533-J, 12-19-1t-N

ABERDEEN ANGUS Bull. Phone 4625-F-3. 12-19-2t-N

ELECTRIC train track switches, cars and other toys. Phone 2519 after 6 o'clock. 12-18-1t-T

HAWAIIAN guitar, price $7. Phone 1973-R. 12-18-2t-T

SKIIS, 76" with binders and poles, $10, like new. Silver evening sandals, high heels, size 5½ A, pre-war, worn one time, cost $12.50, sell for $10. Apply 317 Holland St. Monday after 6 o'clock or Tuesday all day. 12-18-2t-T

LIVING LOVABLE XMAS GIFTS. Cocker and Springer Spaniel puppies, by Champion's sons. Phone 807-F-23, Harold Meeks, Vale Summit, Md. 12-18-tf-T

NEW saxaphone in case. Phone 1387-M. 12-18-2t-T



10 CENTS BUYS
FIVE CARTRIDGES

Five cartridges might save the lives of five Americans—
—Might shorten this war by five Japs or five Huns.

I urge you to let me turn your discarded things into War Stamps to buy cartridges to help win this war.

I'm a TIMES-NEWS Want Ad, and I'm enlisted for the duration.

Phone me at Cumberland 4600 and I'll turn YOUR unused things into cartridges!

26—For Sale Miscellaneous

TANGERINES
Just Arrived
Tractor-Trailer Load
In dozens, sacks, bushels and pecks. Deliciously sweet, firey color, and full of juice. Easy to peel and everybody likes Tangerines.
Tractor-Trailer Load
of ORANGES
99c, 1.19 and 1.49 bag
20 Pounds
8 POUND BAG 59c
LARGE SIZE, TREE RIPE AND NATURAL COLOR. DOZENS, BUSHELS, PECKS.
HAGER'S
Dependable Quality
Reasonable Prices
832 N. Mechanic St.
Open Evenings and Sundays

TWO HOT AIR furnaces, excellent condition, together with pipes and registers, coal heating stove, two show cases, planer for size 6x24-in. lumber, office desk, 2 metal filing cabinets, oil circulating heater, frost killer heating stove and hot water coil gas stove. Apply John Hafer, 230 Baltimore Ave. 12-19-2t-N

28-A—Florists

Funeral Flowers
RenRoy Gardens
LaVale Phone 3960-W

Funeral Flowers { BOPP'S 75 Baltimore St. Phone 2582

29—Furniture, Stoves

USED FURNITURE. Millenson's, 317 Virginia. 1-6-tf-T

30—Building Supplies

GIFTS
BEAUTIFUL, PRACTICAL, LASTING, FOR ALL THE FAMILY

OAK FLOORING
Nothing improves the rooms appearance as much as an oak floor and it makes the house warmer and cleaner.
PRICE—10c to 15c PER SQ. FT.

CEDAR LINING
Line the sidewalls, ceiling, and the inside of the wardrobe door with cedar lining. The aroma of cedar is pleasant and a safeguard against moth.
PRICE—14c PER SQ. FT.

PLYWOOD
Beautiful, strong, and useful for many purposes.
PRICE—20c PER SQ. FT.

WALLBOARD
Why not improve the basement ceiling with insulation board; likewise the third floor. It will greatly improve the appearance of the room and be warmer and cleaner.
PRICE 3½c TO 5c PER SQ. FT.

STORM DOORS
They are good looking, warmer in winter and a fine screen door in summer.
WILL NOT BE IN STOCK UNTIL DEC. 10.
PRICE—$9.35 TO $10.50

STORM SASH
Ask the man who has them. They keep cold and dirt out and save fuel.
PRICE—$2.30 TO $4.38

BUCHANAN LUMBER CO.
549 N. CENTRE ST. PHONE 1270

INSULATION
Bat Rock Wool
5½c sq. ft., 3 in. thick
Kimsul 100 sq. ft. $4.95 roll
Sears Roebuck & Co.
179 Baltimore St. Phone 2432
Cumberland, Md.

32—Help Wanted—Female

WOMAN
For
General Housework
Prefer Middle Aged
GOOD WAGES
Phone 2859-J
Or Apply 812 Camden Ave.
12-16-tf-T

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33—Help Wanted, Male

All Workers Subject to Priority Referral Must Be Referred by the U. S. Employment Service.

MEN wanted for orchard work. New modern camp, furnace heated, shower, separate locker for each man, straight board, excellent food, top rates. Phone 4013-F-5 or 4013-F-3. Consolidated Orchard Co., Spring Gap, Md. 11-10-tf-T

ORCHARD WORKERS
60c PER HOUR
Golden-Rossell Corp.
Cumberland 4020-F-23
12-16-1wk-T

BOY to carry Morning Newspaper route on Fayette St. from Allegany to end. Apply Times-News, Circulation Dept., Phone 4600. 12-17-4t-T

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COLLECTOR-SALESMAN
Cumberland and vicinity, part-time. Salary plus commission. Automobile necessary. Write stating age and experience to Box 592-B, % Tomes-News. 12-18-1wk-T

JANITOR-FIREMAN, steady position, excellent salary. Apply in person, Manager Strand Theater. 12-19-3t-N

36—Instructions

Mechanically minded men look into Refrigeration and Air Conditioning as a profitable future career. Write Utilities Inst. 590-B, % Times-News. 12-18-2t-N

IF YOU HAVE never tried a classified there is no time like the present. The cost will be small and after getting results from your first ad you'll be surprised the number of money-making services they can perform for you.

37—Musical Instruments

GIFTS
for any age
VICTOR & BLUEBIRD Records
THE MUSIC SHOP
5-7 S. Liberty St. Phone 3230

38—Lost and Found

LOST: right hand black glove, fur lined, phone 1242-M. 12-17-3t-T

39—Miscellaneous

WELDING
All types, Acetylene and Arc
Anything • Anytime • Anyplace
H. & S. Plumbing & Heating Co
Authorized Dealers in Airco Gases and Equipment
128 Polk Street Phone 2040

BLOCK LAYING, cement work, W. A. McKinney, 148 Bedford St. Phone 3013-W, 3485. 1-28-tf-T

REFRIGERATION, washer, repairs. Phone 3978-R. 12-1-tf-N

ALLEGANY PLATING Co., metal plating all kinds. Silver refinished, headlights, reflectors resilvered, brass cleaned, lacquered. 405 Henderson Ave., Phone 1858. 12-2-31t-N

CARPENTER WORK, remodeling. Phone 2042-W. 12-8-31t-T

40—Metal Weatherstripping

"WE DEFY THE ELEMENTS"
DEFIANCE WEATHERSTRIP CO
Frederick C. Haas. Phone 2063.

41—Moving, Storage

JOHN APPEL transfer, local and long distance moving. Agents for Greyvan Lines, Inc. Phone 1623

MOVING TO and from Baltimore Phone 388. 6-16-tf-T

42—Painting, Paperhanging

PAPERHANGING, Joe Barnhill, Phone 621-J. 4-17-tf-N

INSIDE AND outside painting, floor sanding and refinishing. Phone 2480-M 3-14-tf-N

46—Radios, Service

Guaranteed Radio Service
CAPITOL ELECTRONIC CO.
305 Baltimore Ave.
PHONE 1225



$1 BUYS
ONE INTRENCHING SHOVEL

One intrenching shovel might get an American "dug in" just in time to dodge a bullet.

War Stamps buy intrenching shovels!

If you really believed that renting your spare room could dig trenches that save lives you'd get going, wouldn't you?

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NOTICE OF AUDIT
Mae Peterman, et al, vs. Carl W. Davidson, et al.
No. 10278 Equity. In the Circuit Court for Allegany County, Maryland, Cumberland, Maryland, December 16, 1944.
This is to give notice that an audit filed in the above entitled cause, distributing the funds in the hands of William A. Gunter, Trustee, will be ready for ratification on the 3rd. day of January, 1945, unless cause to the contrary be shown.
ROBERT JACKSON, Clerk
—Advertisement N-Dec 19, 26

Stocks Run into Wave of Selling And Many Issues Decline Sharply

By VICTOR EUBANK

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — The stock market ran into further selling troubles today, and, with scattered exceptions among rails and industrials, leaders declined fractions to more than a point.

Prices began to slip after a fairly steady opening. Mild recoveries later cropped up here and there but closing losses were well in the majority.

Many customers retired to neutral territory because of the persistent feeling that the lengthy ride to the highest average levels since 1937 made the market vulnerable to any real bad news that might eventuate.

Prominent on the offside were U. S. Steel, Chrysler, Goodrich, Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, International Harvester, Douglas Aircraft, American Can, Westinghouse, General Electric and Allied Chemical.

Ahead were Consolidation Coal, up 1½ at a new 1944 top; Sante Fe, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, U. S. Rubber, Glenn Martin and Philip Morris.

Some sections of the corporate bond list came under moderate pressure today and most groups declined a little on average coincident with drop in volume.

U. S. governments were steady.

Transactions totaled $9,210,000 compared with $19,380,000 last Friday.

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Stock list—today's close:

Air Redn	40	LOF Gl	53¾
Alg Corp	3⅛	Lig My B	78¼
Al C D	155	Lorll	18⅜
Am Can	91	Martin Gl	23⅜
Am C Fd	40¼	M Ward	51¼
Am R Mill	15¼	Nat Bis	33⅜
Am Smel	40¼	Nat Cr	33⅛
A T T	164½	Nat Dy	25⅜
Am Tob B	66	Nat Dis	36⅝
Am W Wks	8⅜	NY Cen	22¼
Anaconda	28¼	Nord Wsh	21⅛
Avn Corp	5	Nor Am Avn	9¼
B and O	10¼	Owens Ill Gl	58⅛
Bendix	47	Pack Mtrs	5¼
Beth Stl	64½	Para Pic	29⅜
Boe Airp	17⅝	Pa RR	32⅞
Budd Mfg	10⅜	Pepsi Cola	6⅝
Celan	37¼	Pullman	48⅛
C and O	49⅞	Pur Oil	16⅜
Chrys	91⅞	Rad Crp	10⅞
Col G E	4¼	Rem Rand	22⅜
Com Cr	38½	Rep Stl	19⅜
Comw Sou	11-16	R Tob B	31⅛
Cons Ed	24⅜	Sra Roe	103⅛
Curt Wr	5¾	Soc Vac	13⅝
Doug Air	68¼	Sou Pac	40⅝
duPont	159	Sper Crp	27¼
Eastman	176	Sta Br	28⅛
Elau Lite	44	SO Cal	37⅞
El P Lt	3⅞	SO Ind	33⅝
Firest	56⅛	SO NJ	55⅞
Gen El	39½	Swift Co	32⅜
Gen Fds	47¼	Texas Co	48⅝
Gen Mtrs	64	Tex G Sul	35⅛
Goodrich	53⅜	Tidew Oil	16⅜
Goodyr	50⅜	Timk RR	59⅛
Gt N Pfd	46⅜	Un Carbide	79⅛
Greyhnd	23⅛	Un Aire	29¼
Ill Cen	20⅛	United Carbon	64¼
Int Hv	81	US Rubber	52⅛
Int N Can	28½	Wes Md	40
Johns Man	105	West E M	115⅛
Kenn Cop	36⅜	Yng S T	39¼
Kroger	36⅛		

Position of Treasury

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP) — The position of the Treasury Dec. 15:

Receipts $335,627,998.24; expenditures $326,180,248.98; net balance $20,485,926,700.44; working balance included $19,723,030,959.22; customs receipts for month $17,082,913.42; receipts fiscal year (July 1) $16,472,950,501.06; expenditures fiscal year $44,038,496,507.43; excess of expenditures $27,565,546,006.37; total debt $230,024,443,731.75; increase over previous day $333,679,592.49; gold assets $20,666,271,412.24.

Chicago Grain Market

CHICAGO, Dec. 18—(AP)—Grain futures markets were extremely dull today as traders marked time pending release this afternoon of the government's final 1944 crop report. Wheat suffered fractional losses but closing prices in other pits were mostly higher.

POWERS MODEL



GLORIA VANDERBILT, who in private life is the 'teenage bride of Pat Di Cicco, now in the army, is reported to be drawing $1,000 for posing as a Powers model plus her endorsement for each ad. It is her first job.

New York Produce

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—(AP)—Eggs two days receipts 37,176; firm. Current general wholesale prices follow:

Whites: Extras, No. 1 to No. 4, 45 lbs. and over, Midwestern 49.3-52.3; nearby 49.3-52.3; medium, 40-44 lbs. Midwestern 47.3; nearby 47.3; pullets, 35.39 lbs., Midwestern 43.5; nearby 44.5.

Butter (two days receipts) 685,519; firm. (Maximum prices set by OPA for bulk butter in cartons delivered New York).

Creamery, higher than 92 score and premium marks (AA) 42.25; 92 score (A) 41.75; 90 score (B) 41.50; 89 score (C) 41.

(Tubs one-half cent a pound more on all grades).

Pittsburgh Produce

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 18—(AP)—Produce demand moderate.

Apples four cars, steady. United States No. 1 bushel baskets Pennsylvania Staymen 2.75-3.00; McIntosh 3.00-25; Black Twigs 2.50; Virginia Delicious 3.50; Eastern Crates Maine McIntosh 3.62; bushel cartons West Virginia Rome Beauties 1.75; New York McIntosh 1.50-75.

Potatoes 32 cars, steady. U. S. No. 1 100 lb. sacks Maine Katahdins 3.00-15; Idaho Russet Burbanks 4.18-20; 50 lb. sacks Maine Katahdins 1.55; 15 lb. sacks Maine Katahdins 50-52.

Eggs unchanged.

The Straits Settlements, the Federated Malay States and the Unfederated Mala States compose British Malaya.

The reign of Emperor Ken Lung of China — from 1735-1798 — was marked by sixteen major floods.

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Located No. 503 Williams Street, first house beyond entrance to Fort Hill School. This property is of tapestry brick construction and has six nice rooms and bath. Large clothes presses in bedrooms, bath and hall. Cemented cellar under entire house. Air-conditioned furnace, fired by stoker. Automatic hot water for bathroom. Two car garage. Price $6,900.00

N. MECHANIC STREET
At No. 616 North Mechanic Street we have a six room brick dwelling. Hot air heat to each room. Property could be used for two families. Priced to sell at $2,950.00.
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467 Goethe Street—Modern frame dwelling containing six rooms and bath. Hot air furnace. This property is in good condition and reasonably priced at $4,500.

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21 S. Centre St. Phone 458

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8 Arch St. is a two story frame duplex dwelling having 4 large rooms, bath, and porches on first floor, and 5 rooms, bath, one porch, second floor; two rooms, third floor. Small cellar, nice lot, one-car garage. Price reduced to $4500.

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Insurance and Real Estate
213 Virginia Avenue Phone 381

FOR SALE
Modern eight room brick dwelling. Located at 504 Magruder Street. Full basement with hot water heat. Hardwood floors and all other modern conveniences. Two car brick garage on premises. Price on application.

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GREEN STREET: Brick dwelling with 6 rooms, oak trim and floors on first floor, finished third floor, large sunroom, fine basement, hot water heat, garage, property in excellent condition. Price on application.
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124 Bedford St. Phone 4142

Located 117-119 Mary St., South Cumberland, double frame, 6 rooms to side. Electric, gas, partly equipped bath each side. Large lot. $3500.

Located on Mt. Savage Road at Corriganville, 5 room frame. Electric. Good well water, large lot, no bath. This house is in very good condition. $1

Piece Work Plan Causes Walkout Of Tire Builders

Company and Union Report Settlement Reached at Kelly Plant

Fifty truck tire builders employed at the Kelly-Springfield Tire Company plant reported for work on the first shift at 7 a. m. yesterday and then returned to their homes following a dispute in regard to "incentive plan" installation, according to statements made by representatives of the company and Local No. 26, United Rubber Workers of America.

R. Mark Hudak, personnel manager of the company, and Roy E. Davy, president of the union, announced last evening that a fair settlement was reached at 5:30 p. m., and that a number of workers employed on the second shift, 3 to 11 p. m., returned to their jobs after waiting around until company and union spokesmen negotiated an agreement. A small number of second shift employes returned to their homes before a decision was reached.

Davy Says Settlement "Fair"

Davy stated that representatives of men employed on the machines agreed that the settlement was "fair" and he expressed the opinion that the third shift coming on at 11 p. m. would not be affected by the walkout.

Hudak said the conference between union and company officials to iron out differences commenced shortly after noon.

Tire builders describe the "incentive plan" installation as being a new type tire-building machine, known as the TX type, which was installed at the plant in September. The controversy resulted yesterday when the piecework rate became effective, supplanting the hourly rate of wages, which heretofore has been paid the workers.

Condemn Piece Work

Employes refusing to report for work contended that under the piece work provisions they will be unable to make as much as they received when they were paid the hourly rate. It is understood that the top hourly rate for tire builders is $1.11.



GIFTS FOR G. I. JOES—Members of the Yank Gift Box committee of Fort Cumberland Post No. 13, American Legion and auxiliary, exhibit 650 boxes, the results of their drive for Christmas gifts for the 7,800 hospitalized G.I. Joes and Janes in Maryland and the Newton D. Baker hospital, Martinsburg, W. Va. Ninety per cent of the gifts were wrapped by stores and individuals. The committee will complete the wrapping after the deadline for contributions at 11 o'clock this evening. Committee members are: (front row, left to right), Mrs. Heyl D. Walker, chairman of the auxiliary members, 534 Fairview avenue, Mrs. Daisy B. Buskey, 35 Humbird street, Mrs. Katherine Kerns, 327 Pearl street, and Mrs. Paul C. Weisenmiller, 362 Bedford street; (standing, left to right), A. V. Burkey, 617 Greene street, Clarence A. Eyre, 301 Washington street, and Howard P. Loughrie, chairman, Baltimore pike.

Morgan C. Harris Heads Boys' Club For Fifth Term

PBC Elects Eight Directors; Christmas Dinner Set for Jan. 7

Morgan C. Harris, state's attorney for Allegany county, was elected president of the Cumberland Police Boys' Club for the fifth successive term at the annual meeting of directors last evening in the Central YMCA.

Other officers re-elected for 1945 were Milton Bernstein, first vice president; Hugo Keller, second vice president; Harry Nelson, third vice president; Mrs. James E. Kelley, secretary, and Mrs. Madeline Guggenheimer, treasurer.

Eight directors elected to comprise the board of twenty-one are Milton Bernstein, Victor D. Heisey, Dr. Arthur H. Hawkins, W. Donald Smith, William H. Lewis, James E. Kelley, Jr., David M. Steele and Charles U. Wiebel.

Patrolman John McHugh, of the Cumberland Police Department, was appointed by the directors to the position of recreation director for boys' activities as assistant to Officer John Henry Stitcher, of the same department.

The annual Christmas turkey dinner for the boys will be served in St. Mary's hall, Oldtown road, Sunday, January 7 at 1 p. m. Arrangements are being made to serve 130 members of the club, directors and friends.

The Duke Memorial Bible Class, sponsor of the Police Boys' Bible Class, announced that from fifty to eighty-five boys have been attending the regular Sunday programs in the Central YMCA. The men's class has bought "Y" memberships for 115 boys, the report showed. It was also announced that the P.B.C. is supporting two basketball teams in the Midget league.

CAP Squadron 331 Is Commended

Western Maryland Squadron 331, Civil Air Patrol has been commended for its army air force news clippings in a letter from Col. William Westlake, in charge of the air force group of the War department, Bureau of Public Relations, Major Arthur Lyem, commander of the local squadron, announces.

Col. Westlake wrote, "Will you please pass on to all the units of the CAP an expression of gratitude for the most valuable service which they have rendered combat personnel of the AAF by a steady supply of newspaper clippings about the men overseas.

The clippings he explained are sorted out according to the air forces and sent to the public relations officers concerned. He also wrote of the expressions of thanks from the combat theaters and the "earnest plea that the service will continue unabated."



Three-Inch Snow Falls in County; Roads Slippery

Lack of Strong Wind Keeps Highways from Drifting Shut

Upwards of three inches of snow covered Cumberland and Allegany county again yesterday, falling while residents of this section still were digging out from last week's storm, the worst blizzard in Western Maryland in twenty years.

Roads still slick from the storm a week ago became even more treacherous and both the state police and state roads commission officials urged motorists to stay off the highways or, at the least, refrain from driving without chains.

The snow started falling about 1 p. m. yesterday and gave every indication of repeating last week's heavy fall until it slackened about 6 p. m. Once it started again snow was mixed with sleet and rain, eventually changing to all snow again and then stopping about 11 p. m.

Ten Plows at Work

Roads commission officials said the best break yesterday was the fact that no wind was blowing and roads were not drifting shut.

Leo T. Downey, district engineer of the state roads commission, said ten plows were in use in Allegany county and eleven in Garrett county in an effort to keep roads open.

Road crews have been working continuously since last week and Downey said yesterday they were still engaged in widening out highways after opening roads that had been blocked by drifts.

Crews were on the highways yesterday when the snow started to fall and soon changed their task from widening out to clearing the roads.

In some instances, Downey said, there was little space along the highways to move the new snow because of the huge banks resulting from clearing roads last week.

Churned to Slush

City crews still were at work clearing streets of snow and ice left from last week's storm but many streets were still slippery and the new snow served to make them even more treacherous. On cleared streets, snow was soon churned to slush by heavy pre-holiday traffic.

No bus runs were cancelled yesterday and Blue Ridge lines officials said their trips were running close to schedule although some delays were encountered when motorists stopped to put on chains. They also reported some traffic stalled on slippery mountain highways east of Cumberland.

Snow Reported General

The snow was reported to be general, some falling in Hagerstown and Frederick. Six inches were reported at Oakland, five inches at Deal, Pa., and Thomas, W. Va., and ten inches at Gray, Pa., near Somerset, Pa. It was still snowing at the latter communities.

At midnight the temperature in Cumberland was twenty-six degrees, six below freezing.

Liberty Trust Declares Semi-Annual Dividend

The board of directors of the Liberty Trust Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of fifty cents per share on the capital stock of the bank, payable January 12, 1945, to stockholders of record December 30, 1944, according to Charles A. Piper, president.

This declaration places the stock on an annual dividend basis of six and two-thirds per cent on the par value of $15 per share, Piper said.

VFW Will Celebrate Club Members' Night

Henry Hart Post No. 1411, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will celebrate "Club Members Night" tomorrow at 8 p. m.

Members holding 1944 or 1945 membership cards are invited to be present with their wives or girl friends.

A buffet luncheon will be served and there will be dancing.

Maurice Leasure is chairman of the committee on arrangements.

International President of TWUA Comments on Local 1874 Action

Rieve Says Local Had Right To Withdraw from Council

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—International President Emil Rieve of the Textile Workers Union of America said tonight he was undecided whether to use the influence of his office to persuade a Cumberland, Md., TWUA local to rejoin the Maryland-District of Columbia Industrial Union Council (CIO).

Rieve, recently returned from London, said that unquestionably the Cumberland local had the right to withdraw from the council. The only question was, he added, whether the local had acted wisely.

"I am only recently returned to my office and I am not familiar with the issues in this dispute, but I'm trying to get at the facts. Meanwhile, I'm not bringing any pressure on the local," Rieve declared.

"I am not saying the local acted rightly, or did not. But I want to emphasize that it was within its rights. I might use my good office, if I find they acted unwisely, to have them reaffiliate. x x x But they are not bound to respect my recommendation in this regard."

Rieve said he had discussed the matter with Richard E. Boyden, president of the Cumberland local, who protested the membership's vote to withdraw.

Yesterday James A. Dundon, regional director for the Textile Workers Union of America, in replying to a statement of Dr. Robert T. Kerlin, declared that the latter, editor of the Western Maryland edition of the CIO News, does not represent labor in Western Maryland."

Dundon asserted that "wouldbe intellectuals are interfering with the labor movement" and added that for a long time he has "been opposed to the political philosophy which Dr. Kerlin has attempted to expound to the membership of labor in Western Maryland."

Dundon's statement came as an aftermath of the action of Local 1874, TWUA, in voting to withdraw from the Maryland and District of Columbia Industrial Union Council and the Western Maryland Industrial Union Council, after some delegates to the state CIO convention in Washington charged the state leadership was Communist-inspired.

Sgt. William Dircks Wins Divorce Suit

Sgt. William J. Dircks, Twenty-ninth division heavyweight champion now stationed in England, was granted a divorce from Mrs. Margaret Dircks in a decree signed by Associate Judge William A. Huster in circuit court yesterday.

Mrs. Dircks was given the custody of their son and $30 a month for his support. The couple were married May 7, 1941. Harold E. Naughton represented Mrs. Dircks; Edward J. Ryan represented Dircks.

Mrs. Helen Kudlick, Welsh hill, Frostburg, was granted a divorce from Stanley Kudlick, with the merchant marine, and the right to use her maiden name, Helen Laymen, in a decree signed by Judge Huster. She was represented by Ryan.

Settlement was reached in an action filed by Ralph Rhett Rathbone against Mrs. Lottie L. Rathbone and the case was dismissed. C. William Gilchrist represented Rathbone and Clarence Shutter, Mrs. Rathbone.

Mrs. Anna Spriggs, Frostburg, now employed at Baltimore, was granted a divorce from Archie W. Spriggs. She was represented by Ryan.

Stakem Attends Annual Instruction Session

Richard J. Stakem, division chief of the local bureau of internal revenue office, returned Saturday after attending the annual instruction session for deputy collectors in Baltimore. The session was held Monday through Saturday in the state collector's office.

Stakem was accompanied by two local deputy collectors, John R. Uhl and Patrick J. Creegan.



KILLED IN ACTION—Pfc. William Sherman Burger, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duke W. Burger, 209 Columbia street, has been reported killed in action in France, November 29, according to a telegram received by his parents from the War department. A graduate of Allegany high school, he answered a call to the colors while attending the University of Maryland. His father is agent for the Monumental Life Insurance Company. Pfc. Burger's widow, Mrs. Betty Jo Bonafield Burger, resides in New York City.

MRS. RUCH'S FUNERAL WILL BE HELD TODAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Sallie Ellen Ruch, mother of Mrs. Harry A. Manley, 804 Buckingham road, will be held at 2:30 p. m. today in the Wolford funeral home with the Rev. Dr. Hixon T. Bowersox, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, officiating. Interment will be in Rose Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Carl Schmutz, John Ehrbar, John Morgan, William Porter, Robert Shuck and Fred Liebke.

MRS. ELIZABETH BUZZARD

Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning in SS. Peter and Paul Catholic church for Mrs. Elizabeth M. Buzzard, 74, 412 Beall street, who died yesterday morning at her home after an extended illness. She was the widow of Denton S. Buzzard, Western Maryland railway conductor, who died thirty years ago.

A daughter of the late James and Mary Kennedy Wiseman, Mrs. Buzzard was a native of Oakland. She resided at Elkins, W. Va., for some time before moving to Cumberland, forty years ago. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Bertha M. Buzzard, at home, and two sons, George W. Buzzard, Fairmont, W. Va., and Charles V. Buzzard, Cumberland. Two nieces, Mrs. Walter K. Hoblitzell and Miss Mary Ralston, Cumberland, also survive.

The body will remain at the home until time of the services. Interment will be in SS. Peter and Paul cemetery.

MRS. NAN R. WEIR

Mrs. Nan Redman Weir, 59, wife of Frank Weir, Williamsport, W. Va., died Sunday night in Columbus, Ohio. She was a daughter of the late Charles and Susan Redman.

Surviving besides her husband are one son, Lester Weir, now serving with the army in France, and the following sisters and brothers, Mrs. Edward Gates and Mrs. John Cooper, Cumberland; Mrs. Frances Brown, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Milton Redman, Paw Paw, W. Va.; Norman, Harry and Earl Redman, of Cumberland.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

SOREN JOHANNESEN RITES

Services for Soren Johannesen, Wilkinsburg, Pa., who was killed Thursday when the bakery truck he was driving was struck by a train at the Baltimore and Ohio railroad crossing in Wilkinsburg, were held at the Hafer funeral home at 2:30 p. m. yesterday with the Rev. Dr. Hixon T. Bowersox, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, officiating. Interment was in Zion Memorial cemetery.

Pallbearers were John Robinette, Charles Robinette, James Emerick, Cecil Long, Jay Getz and Paul Elslager.

Commission Head Asks City To Act On Bridge Project

Dr. Koon Says $5,000 Is Needed; City Engineer May Make Survey

Dr. Thomas W. Koon, chairman, yesterday asked that there be some understanding between the city council and the Municipal Planning and Zoning Commission in regards to funds to the amount of $5,000 to complete the engineering of the proposed new four-lane overhead highway, and to see what property would be needed, and the probable estimated cost of same.

The former mayor made the suggestion at a joint meeting of the commission, Hunter B. Helfrich, commissioner of streets and public property and Ralph L. Rizer, city engineer.

City Must Provide Share

Dr. Koon related that the state has funds for the matching of such a proposition and in certain conditions will go 50-50 in making such a survey. One of the stipulations, however, is that the local government must give some assurance that the city will provide its share. It was in hopes that this angle could be discussed and some understanding reached at yesterday's meeting.

"This bridge may never be built, but it is one of the postwar projects that is being worked out by the state and federal governments with local governments in order to be able to put men to work who are returning from the armed forces," Dr. Koon said.

"We, of the planning board, realize that our function is to study these projects and recommend to the council our findings, and there our duties probably end."

The commission chairman further stated that at any time the advice of his group is felt to be of benefit to the council, "we will be at your service and will not hesitate to confer with you on any question for the benefit of the city or to benefit the men returning from the armed forces."

Rizer May Make Survey

Ralph L. Rizer, city engineer, told the commission that he might be able to make the survey himself and advised the group that he would make a report at the next meeting in January.

Dr. Koon expressed the opinion that the city has been discussing traffic problems for twenty years and it's time to do something about it when the state is ready to furnish a portion of the expense for engineering work. He said that labor will be plentiful after the war and now is the time to make plans for the work.

The chairman said a proposed overhead bridge from Henderson avenue to Fayette street is a secondary idea and that surveys made here for twenty years show that subways beneath grade crossings are impractical.

Airport Will Repay City

Discussing the airport, Dr. Koon said that the city will be repaid for every cent invested in the project. "A city the size of Cumberland without an airport ten years from now will be out of the picture," he added.

He also declared that few persons have studied plans for the four-lane overhead highway and expressed surprise that more business men had not taken an interest in the much needed improvement. Members of the commission, he added, will be glad to explain the entire setup to any group desiring to be enlightened on the proposed project.

Legion To Send 300 Gift Boxes to Hospital Today

Fort Cumberland Post No. 13, American Legion, has received 650 Christmas gift packages for G.I. Joes and Janes in government hospitals, Howard P. Loughrie, committee chairman, announced last evening.

Loughrie and Clarence Eyre will deliver 300 of the packages to the Newton D. Baker General Hospital, Martinsburg, W. Va., today.

The deadline for receiving boxes at the Legion home is 11 o'clock tonight. Each package will contain the name of the sender so that the recipient can acknowledge receipt of same.

C. & P. Telephone Company To Hold Party in YMCA

150 Active and Retired Employes and Families Will Attend

August B. Haneke, vice president and general manager, and other officials from Baltimore and Hagerstown, will attend the annual Christmas party of Cumberland employes of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company and their families this evening at 7:30 p. m. in the Central YMCA.

Following their arrival here at noon the C. & P. officials will attend a business meeting at the company's local office on Union street.

Approximately 150 local active and retired employes and their families are expected to attend the party at which M. H. Roe, of Hagerstown, filling the role of Santa Claus, will present treats comprising candies, nuts and fruits to the children.

The program will be marked by the showing of special moving pictures, numbers by a vocal duet, Misses Maxine Smith and H. V. Leasure, with Miss Mildred Frost as accompanist, and group singing.

Pupils of the Lee Winter Studios will provide the entertainment. Refreshments will be served.

Arrangements for the decorations and refreshments are in charge of a committee comprising Miss Helen Steele, Mrs. Mary Hausman and Mrs. Kathleen Deneen.

Post Office Records Broken; 110,000 Letters Cancelled

At the close of the busiest day in the history of the local post office, postal officials announced last night that letter size cancellations had passed the 110,000 mark at 10 p. m. An estimated 4,000 packages were handled yesterday, breaking previous records set in the present Christmas mailing rush, which is the heaviest in recent years.

Since the Christmas rush began seven days ago, 388,400 cancellations have been made. Yesterday's figure of 110,000 broke last year's record of 108,200 cancellations on December 17, postal officials said, adding that normally the average daily cancellations amount to 20,000.

Thirty-two temporary clerks, including five substitutes, have been employed during the mailing rush, according to Maurice E. Robinette, superintendent of mails. Seven of the clerks are women.

Unemployment Service Hopes To Direct Brick Plant Workers to Kelly

An attempt to channel the seventy-five men, now working at the Union Mining Company brick plant, Mt. Savage, to the Kelly-Springfield Tire Company when the brick plant closes, will be made, Patrick J. Carroll, local manager of the United States Employment Service, said yesterday.

The additional help in the tire plant's truck tire and shell manufacturing departments will help curtail the manpower shortage, Carroll said. The number of men who will be transferred from the Mt. Savage brick plant to the new Jennings plant will be small, he said.

Carroll added that the recent Selective Service regualtions, concerning men of between the ages of 18 and 37 who change jobs, has had little effect here as most men have stayed at their war plant work.

Corriganville Firemen Re-elect H. C. Walters

Harry C. Walters was re-elected president of the Corriganville volunteer fire department at a meeting held in the fire house at 7:30 p. m. yesterday.

Other officers elected to serve during the coming year were Robert Lepley, vice president; Clinton Delbrook, re-elected financial secretary; Joseph C. Corrigan, re-elected recording secretary; Harry Barncord, re-elected treasurer; and Chief Harry Martz and Oklen Geiger, assistant chief, who were also re-elected. Henry T. Geiger, whose term as trustee recently expired, was re-elected to serve another three years. Carl Dickel was re-elected sergeant at arms.

Walters presided at the meeting, which was attended by thirty-seven members. The new officers will be installed at a meeting to be held Wednesday, January 3, 1945, at 7:30 p. m.

McCrory's Distributes $590 In Yule Cash Gifts

Additional compensation totaling $590 has been distributed among fifty-four employes of McCrory's five-and ten cent store, as Christmas gifts, Paul E. Myers, manager, announced yesterday.

The distribution of cash was made last Saturday.

Cash gifts ranged from $5 for those employed six months to $25 to employes in the service of the company for ten years. Two received $25 at Cumberland's pioneer five-and-dime store which was established here in 1904.

Similar cash gifts were distributed in 200 McCrory stores throughout the country.

Students and Pilots To Meet Wednesday

A meeting of student and experienced pilots will be held to discuss the "Local Field Rues", at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening in the civil service room on the third floor of the post office, George A. Ruhl, local flight instructor, announces.

Ruhl will preside and will explain the new rules which will be in effect on the new municipal airport, to maintain efficiency and safety at the airport.



TO ATTEND PARTY — August B. Haneke, vice president and general manager of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City, and other officials of Hagerstown and Baltimore, will attend the annual Christmas party of 150 local employes and their families in the Central YMCA.

Man Held in Jail Is Freed on Writ Of Habeas Corpus

Laboratory Worker Wanted in New Jersey on Desertion Charge

Arrested yesterday morning on an Ocean county New Jersey warrant charging him with desertion, Walter Otto Heim, an employe of the Allegany Ballistics Laboratory, was released on bond of $1,000 by Associate Judge William A. Huster following a hearing yesterday afternoon in circuit court on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Heim was taken into custody at 10:45 a. m. yesterday by Lt. Detective B. F. Gaffney and Sgt. R. R. Johnston and was held in the city jail until the hearing shortly after noon.

The petition for the writ of habeas corpus charged that Heim was illegally restrained of his liberty by Chief of Police Oscar A. Eyerman, and after the hearing Judge Huster ordered the man released on $1,000 bond for his personal appearance in court when such appearance may be demanded.

Will Fight Extradition

Heim's attorney, Noel Speir Cook, said he will not waive extradition to New Jersey.

Tried yesterday morning in circuit court on a charge of violating his parole, Howard Franklin Powers, 30, of Cumberland, was sentenced to six months in the county jail by Judge Huster. Powers asked the judge to commit him to the county jail rather than send him to a state prison so his government allotment as a disabled veteran of the present war would not be stopped.

Powers admitted taking a wrist watch, valued at $26, from the pocketbook of Mrs. Goldie V. Reger, in a North Mechanic street tavern last Thursday. At the April term of court, Powers pleaded guilty to larceny and receiving stolen goods, in the theft of a rifle and other articles, and was paroled for five years. Last month he was arrested again, accuhed of taking a sum of money and when arraigned November 24 was again paroled for five years.

Lt. Detective R. Emmett Flynn and Sgt. John H. Newhouse appeared in court to testify against Powers, and Assistant State's Attorney Paul M. Fletcher prosecuted the case.

Judge Grants Motion

Motion for a new jury of inquisition in a damage action involving payment of rent on a Frostburg dwelling was granted yesterday by Judge Huster. The motion was filed by William S. Jenkins, attorney for William Jenkins and Charles L. Albright, defendants in an action brought by Fred Y. Borden and his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Borden.

Mr. and Mrs. Borden sued for damages last January, charging that their household goods were seized by Albright, a constable, on a writ obtained by Jenkins, their landlord, for rent alleged to be due.

On October 20 a jury of inquisition found that the Bordens owed Jenkins nothing and in bringing in the inquisition left blank the space provided for insertion of their finding. The landlord's attorney contended the Bordens owed at least $40 for one month's rent, and the jury erred in failing to specify any amount, based upon the evidence submitted. David W. Sloan is attorney for Mr. and Mrs. Borden.

Rizer Recommends Three Bridge Replacements

Ralph L. Rizer, city engineer, recommended bridge replacements on Washington, Fayette and Cumberland streets and minor bridge and subway repairs in his annual report to the mayor and city council yesterday.

Steel cabinets are needed for the 2,314 maps which have meen indexed at the engineer's office, the report said.

Covering the year ending March 31, the report shows that 109 building permits were issued for $330,599.60 worth of construction and that twenty-eight sewer permits and ten electric lights permits were granted. No streets were paved; 158 feet of sewer were laid.

Two Cumberland Soldiers Wounded

Two Cumberland servicemen, Pfc. Lewis W. Allen and Pvt. James Paul Allen, sons of Rue H. Allen, 200 North Centre street, have been wounded in action, according to the casualty report.

Pfc. Lewis Allen was wounded in Germany December 4, and his brother was wounded in France two months ago and is now hospitalized in Italy. He has sent his Purple Heart decoration to his father. Pfc. Lewis Allen entered the army last April, and Pvt. James Paul Allen entered the service in February.

Sale of "E" Bonds Exceeds $428,000 Or Half of Quota

Drive Will End in Ten Days; County Is "Over Top" in Total Sales

Allegany county's "E" bond sales in the Sixth War Loan drive have reached fifty per cent of the quota of $850,000, Joseph H. Cromwell, county chairman, was advised by the Treasury department.

Sales of "E" bonds through Friday, December 15, amounted to $428,440.25 or 50.4 per cent of the quota which Allegany county is asked to subscribe by December 31.

The Treasury department report indicates that $4,182,728.75 worth of bonds of all denominations have been purchased in Allegany county since the Sixth War Loan drive got under way last month. This puts the county "over the top" by $1,432,728.75 over the quota of $2,750,000.

Ten Selling Days Left

With ten selling days remaining on the calendar before the close of the drive Allegany countains, that is the small bond buyer, would have to purchase $421,559.75 worth of "E" bonds to attain to goal of $850,000.

Allegany county finished $49,200 short of its "E" bond quota of $1,000,000 in the Fifth War Loan drive and failed to reach the $900,000 goal in the fourth campaign by $14,425.

"The job now is for each one of us to buy one more bond," Cromwell stated in an appeal to county citizens. If we don't we certainly are going to look very bad to the boys who are fighting our fight across the seas. It is unthinkable that the people's bond (Series E) will not meet its quota in the present campaign when our need for ammunition and other materials of war is at its greatest."

Teubner Explains Drive

Cromwell interviewed C. William Teubner, chairman of the mercantile bureau bond committee, in a radio program last evening over station WTBO, and the latter explained the chevron system and how it works in "American's Third Army", comprising retail employes, who are participating in the bond sales campaign being conducted in local stores.

Others appearing on the program were Miss Dorothy Kaplon, of Rosenbaum's, and Miss Mary Fitzgerald, of McCrory's, who are among the leaders in the mercantile bond-selling campaign.

Allocations to the Allegany county drive yesterday included $15,000 from the Armour and Company Employes' Pension Fund; $12,000 from the G. C. Murphy Company, McKeesport, and $400 from the White Haines Optical Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Rights of Way Orders Tabled By Mayor, Council

The mayor and council yesterday tabled for a week an order providing rights-of-way for the Potomac Edison Company and the Potomac Light and Power Company, in exchange for rights given by the two companies to the city.

Another order, by which the city would agree to furnish the Potomac Edison Company with the right-of-way for a heavy power line in the future, was also tabled. Mayor Thomas S. Post opposed the order because it would give the company something to "hold over our heads."

The Potomac Edison Company has abandoned plans for the proposed heavy line to Williamsport, Charles Z. Heskett, airport director and city attorney, explained, and has given its right-of-way to the city. The company now wants assurance by ordinance that, should the heavy-line plan be revived, the city would grant a right-of-way, he said. Heskett doubted that the company would take advantage of the city at any later date.

The second right-of-way, a light line, has been removed and relocated under an exchange of one right-of-way for another, Heskett said.

Mayor Post favored buying the rights-of-way. Commissioner William E. McDonald said that the city could buy the rights-of-way at such time in the future as was necessary. Commissioner Hunter B. Helfrich said that he felt that the possibilities of the company holding a "club" over the city were remote, but favored an action to "play safe."

The mayor and council passed an order refunding $1,118.17, representing overpayment of 1943 and 1944 taxes in amounts ranging from $2.58 to $91.35, to a group of West Side property owners. The order complies with assessment adjustments by Allegany county "pursuant to an order of the state tax commission."

Application for a pool room license at 35 North Liberty street, made by Charles A. Brown, was referred to the police department.

The council voted to pay the United States Conference of Mayors the city's 1945 fee of $75.

Airport receipts last week were $9.35. Water consumption for the week ending Sunday was 76,860,000 gallons, a daily average of 10,980,000 gallons. Daily water consumption at the same time last year was 2,204,000 gallons.

Lake Gordon is four feet, four inches below the crest; Lake Koon seventeen feet below the crest.

Tri-State Traffic Club Meets Tonight

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-State Traffic Club will be held tonight following a dinner at the Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club at 6:30 p. m. According to Ralph E. Lashley, president, a large crowd is expected. William C. Somerville, traffic assistant, Celanese Corporation of America, is chairman of the dinner committee.

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